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QCWA INTERNATIONAL RADIO NETWORKS

Sundays:

2000 UTC, 21,445 kHz

NCS

W6IL, W2AIM, W4BK

2100 UTC, 14,345 kHz

NCS

W2SF, W6FQ, W2CVF

Wednesdays:

8:00PM EST 7,035 kHz

9:00PM EST 3,750 kHz

NCS

W2JBL, W9RC, W9CV

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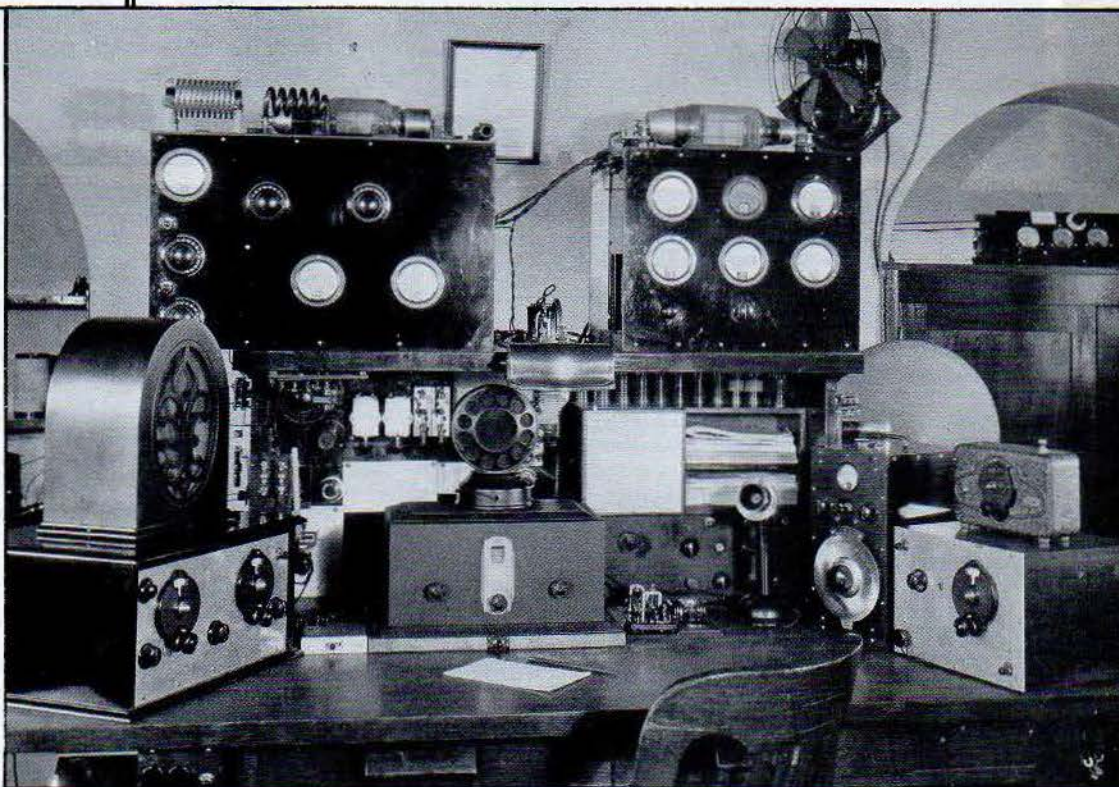


PRINTED MATTER

Pictured below is a state of the art Amateur Station as they existed in 1931. Not all stations were as well equipped....

The transmitter, using a UV-204A, at upper left modulated by at UV-849, at upper right. Note the cooling system supported from the ceiling.

Receivers are, at left, a home-made unit, center, a National and at right an ECO, calibrated by the Bureau of Standards.. At far right, a home-made 5-meter receiver. On top, is a CW monitor, popular in that day.



Above is pictured the station of Charles Vincent, W8RD. We have been fortunate to obtain the photo, and have other to be used later. Charles as Chief Engineer for the Packard Motor Car Company was involved in many early day activities.. He is now retired, 93 years old, with a bright eye and sharp memory. His call now is K6HK, at Palm Desert, California...

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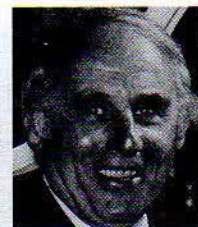
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PRESIDENT'S LETTER

In this issue of QCWA NEWS you will find a ballot to be marked as you see fit in connection a rather extensive series of amendments to the QCWA Constitution. A group of members have felt, for a long time that the Constitution needed many changes which would modernize some Sections and at the same time changing a phrase or a word as needed. During the past year, a restructuring committee worked long hours to incorporate all changes into one document. Most interest centers in Article III, Section 3. I mention this particularly because of the unusual situation. There are three options, i.e., Alternate A or Alternate B require a 2/3 majority of those voting for adoption. In the event that neither obtain the required number, the present section will be retained. I want to request that you read the instructions carefully and that you then consider all aspects of the issues, and VOTE!

Due to delays in mailing, etc., your Board of Directors will have met in San Diego in its 1978 Annual meeting before you will have a chance to see this message. The Board will consider changes in the By-Laws and attempt to set up a procedure whereby they may be made adaptable to whatever Constitutional amendments which may be adopted. It is planned that the entirely new Constitution and By-Laws be printed in the Winter issue of QCWA NEWS and that the terms of the newly adopted documents will apply to nominating and elective processes for 1979.

I want to thank the Restructuring Committee for a fine job...and the Board for its study of the member suggestions and the work which has been done by all in getting us to this point. Let us bring the balloting to a close by adoption of those changes our members deem desirable.



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Col. W. J. Baird	Alexandria, Virginia
Robert E. Lee	Washington, D.C.

the editors corner

WHEN DOES YOUR LICENSE EXPIRE?

QCWA continues to grow. On this 4th day of September We find our latest member is Michael O'Hara (12,549) of the Niagara Frontier Chapter. In addition, four new Chapter affiliations are announced in this Volume of the NEWS...

The month of September, 1978, features the National QCWA Convention, held at San Diego, California, in connection with the ARRL Convention, September 21-24. From comment on the air, it appears that we'll have a hum-dinger of a meeting. Try to make it!

This issue of the News features a ballot for voting on a whole slue of amendments to the Consitution. President Harry Gartsman, in an effort to bring the voting off soon enough so that members desires can be met in the nominating and election processes scheduled for 1979, ordered the speed up of the process. Members had been canvassed to obtain their expressions regarding changes proposed.. The Board had received their opinions...there were several comments regarding the By-Laws, but none that specified significant changes in the Constitution. May we urge you to consider all of the proposed amendments and when you have determined your desires, please vote today

QCWA is opening another service to members....A license renewal reminder service. A description is on this page and we suggest you take advantage of it, right now!

Dallas Chapter of QCWA passed a resolution requesting a study by the Board of Directors, in which QCWA would petition the FCC to reserve all W calls, 1 x 2 and 1 x 3 for amateurs licensed at least 25 years. No existing call would be jeopardized. The reservation would begin upon FCC approval, and would apply only to calls lost to amateurs, or those of silent keys. This would, in about 20 years, restore the original significance of the calls and would help identify the old-timers. Your opinion is of value, write or contact your Board members, or, write Headquarters, your letters will be forwarded.

Your opinions on the QCWA Journal are appreciated. Keep them coming.

W6AM...For a half-century few Amateurs have had the impact on their peer group as 6AM and the man to whom the call is issued. Recently we received an invitation to visit the W6AM shack, 28503 Highridge Road, Rancho Palos Verdes, CA., 90274. It would have been interesting..but dealing with high-power, multi-element arrays is my way of making a living and hold little interest except in a professional way. Instead, shutting my eyes laying way back in the chair, I let 50 years fall away to memories.

...of 1928...a single 199 tube...tube-base coil, an old Karas SLF condenser salvaged, the miracle of hearing 40m signals, all CW. In a short while I had no trouble in recognizing the California kW, 6AM (call of calls) making contacts that made me green with envy. A superlative and tireless operator, fresh from 9ZT fame, winner of the Hoover Cup, coordinator of standard frequency stations, traffic handler, experimenter supreme - and, at the same time, raising a family.

Don Wallace, W6AM, represented the ultimate in Amateur Radio to very many young kids and old timers alike. I will always remember W6AM that way - for high standards he established - for his contributions to Amateur Radio - which have been considerable - here was a Giant!!

VIVA, W6AM

Ernest Baucum, W5BHD, sent us a source of information on Atwater Kent...hope that we can get a good story together on it soon. Thanks, Ernest!

What is the expiration date of your Amateur License? Will you remember that date when it comes time for a renewal?

We keep hearing about people who discover, too late, their license had lapsed, and quite a few have lost long cherished calls due to a faulty memory. K4LMB suggested that we set up a License Expiration Service to make sure this doesn't happen to you. W6ATC concurred, and so for you, if you wish to use it, the service is ready. Here's how it will work:

Obtain two post-cards...put your name and address on both, identical...on the message side of the cards put your call and the expiration date of your licensed (Month & year only). Place the cards in an envelope and mail to:

QCWA, Inc
1409 Cooper Drive
Irving, TX 75061

Upon receipt of the letter, we will sign and return one card to you (so you will know we have your card on file) and will retain the other card...which will be mailed to you 90 days before your expiration date...The Office is expecting to maintain a stock of BC-610 forms....you may have one for an SASE.

-W5EJ-

QCWA ROSTER

The last Roster published was in 1976. We have grown considerably, and it is planned to publish a new issue early in 1979. Be advised that membership as of January 1, 1979 will be the basis for the listing.

Remind your friends to check, if dues have lapsed, renew, don't get left out of the Roster!

We have been privileged to obtain a picture of a special Family. Let us introduce them to you; In the picture, L-R are: Stephanie Meier (daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Alfred Grebe; Charles "Chip" Meier, Stephanies son and, Mrs. William Harvey, Jr., the widow of Alfred Grebe. We were pleased to be able to hold a short conversation with Mrs. Meier early in September so that we could certain of our indentifications. She was delightful to speak to. She asked to be advised of anything having to do with Alfred and the Grebe story.



The picture was sent to us by Ken Hiler, W4SQ. Ken had received it from Wes Chatellier, W5DPM. The picture was taken at Canandaigua, New York, at the 1976 AWA meeting.

To both Ken and Wes we extend our thanks. All of QCWA members everywhere are interested in the Grebe Story....

IN MEMORY

We have received word that George Berg, W0NSB, of Lawrence, Kansas passed away on August 4. He was the husband of Emma, W0JUV. Both were QCWA members. George was active professionally and as an Amateur. It is with sadness that we must record his passing.

Werner K. Sauber, W8KC. Passed away Nov. 30, 1977, aged 76 years. Werner was a humble man, loved by all who knew him. Since his retirement 12 years ago, he has spent his life in helping others less fortunate. He spent a great deal of time at the Society for the Blind & Veterans Hospital helping less fortunate people. He was a fine man, an inspiration to many and, my dearest friend.

Paul M. Cornell, W8EFW

George Lister, W8NV. Passed away May 19, 1978, aged 71. He was an Electronics inventor with many patents. He was past President of the Cleveland Chapter of QCWA. His ham license was awarded in 1920. He worked as a on shipboard on the great lakes in the 1920's. He will be missed by his many friends.

Walter Kinney, W4GJ. Passed away August 4, 1978, at the Jackson Memorial Hospital, in Miami, Florida. Walter had been mugged by hoodlums several weeks ago. He had been in Intensive Care for the past two months. Even though his condition was critical, we held hope that somehow he would make it.

Walt was founder of the first QCWA Chapter in the State of Florida. He had been Chairman of the Southeast Chapter for many years, and brought many members into QCWA..

Walter devoted the last years of his life to QCWA. We shall all miss him greatly.

-W4BK/W5EJ-

QCWA FIRST ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARDED

THE FOUNDATION FOR AMATEUR RADIO announced awards issued by the Scholarship Committee in a release dated August 9 1978. Over 100 requests for applications were received. Fifty-eight were submitted to the Committee from 24 of the 50 states plus Ontario, Canada.

The Committee, composed of Messrs. Hugh Turnbull, John Chitwood, Bruce Strem and H. F. de Court, Chairman of the Committee, met on July 11 and August 1, 1978, and selected the following applicants for the Awards listed:

Gore Award:	Alicia A. Moore, WB9LAD
Chichester Award:	Katherine Hebener, WB8TDA
Van Deusen Award:	David A. Newmyer, WB0NLA
RCA, Inc.* Award:	James S. Storey, WB9NIO
QCWA Award:	John Georges, WA2MYU
YLRL Award:	Elizabeth K. Riener, N7IT

The Committee noted this year as having the highest number of women applicants (5), undoubtedly in response to the new YLRL scholarship. One application from a non US applicant was received, undoubtedly in response to the new QCWA scholarship

The Committee was pleased at the overall high caliber of those applying for the scholarships, and the great degree of need resulting from the escalation in tuition costs..

The Scholarships were open to all Amateurs having an FCC General Class license. This year applications were received from 24 states and Canada. The Foundation is a non-profit organization representing 48 Clubs located in the Maryland, District of Columbia and Northern Virginia area. It is devoted exclusively to promoting the interest of Amateur Radio and to the scientific, literary and educational pursuits that advance the purposes of the Amateur Radio Service.

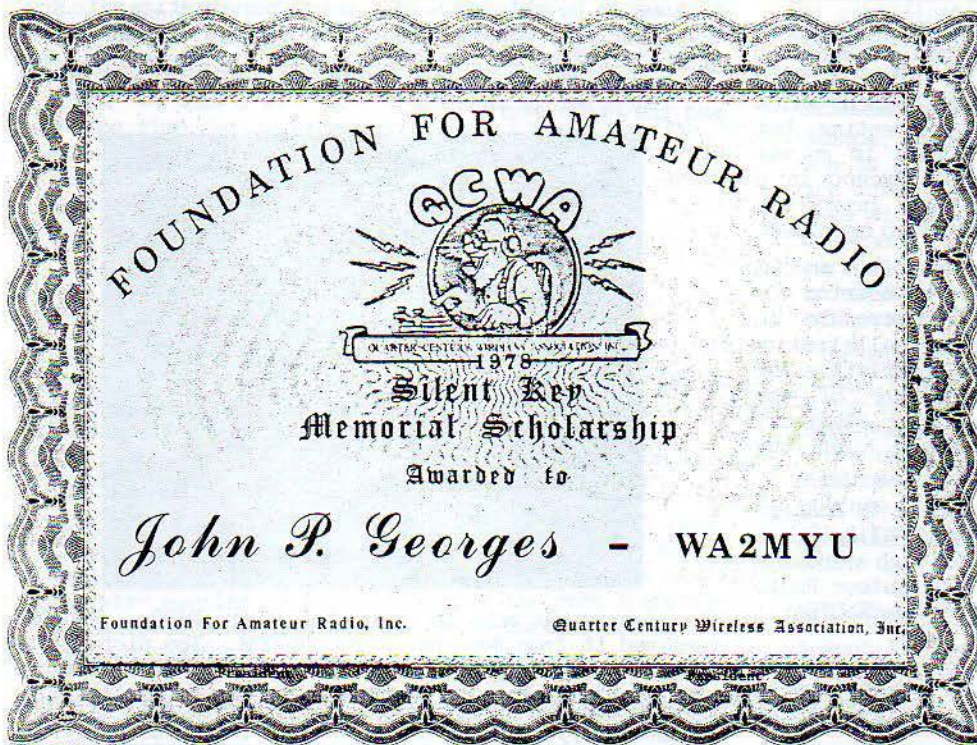
Information regarding the scholarships to be awarded next year will be published in the May, 1979 issues of the major Amateur Radio publications

The Board of Directors, Officers and members of QCWA thanks the Foundation and the Committee who carried out a difficult job!

A Certificate to commemorate the Award was issued to John Georges... It is pictured at the right!

HAVE YOU VOTED YET? MARK YOUR BALLOT AND MAIL IT TODAY!!

At long last, plaques have been prepared and sent to the winner of the 1978 QSO Party, John Zwaska, W4WKQ, and to Don McClenon, N4IN, winner of the 1977 QSO Party. The delays were caused by a change in the Award, and a series of silly mistakes. We have the plaque at Headquarters prepared for the Winner of the 1979 Party. It will need to have the winners name. It is planned to run a picture of it in the December NEWS, if we can get a decent shot.



"DLL's CORNER 'W6DLL'"

THE ONLY WAY TO CROSS, John Maxtone-Graham, Collier Books, New York, 424 pages, 175 illustrations, bibliography, index, \$7.95 paperback.

The older order changeth giving way to the new. The dinosaurs and pterodactyls are gone. The decohereryielded to vacuum tubes which in turn are losing out to the numerous solid-state devices. Even so the proud, tall ships with their billowing canvas were replaced by faster, more efficient steam packets. And, so far as the passenger trade is concerned, these giants of the recent past have almost completely been replaced by jet airplanes.

It appears a striking coincidence that almost simultaneously the last passenger ship under the American flag (S.S. Mariposa) was withdrawn from service and Collier Books published John Maxtone-Graham's The Only Way to Cross, but there it is.

Mr. Maxtone-Graham has devoted 424 pages and over 175 drawings, photographs, and maps to the telling of the story of the ships of the North Atlantic passenger trade during the era of steam. He has carefully chronicled the elegances and the economics, the frivolities and the perils, the intense national prides and the rugged competition for individual commands of this spectacular era.

The author makes no pretense of writing with external objectivity. He loves these ships Mauretania, Olympic, Titanic, Deutschland, Lusitania, the various Cunarder Queens, Imperator, Bremen, Paris, Ile de France, Normandie.

He tells in detail of the lines which sailed the vessels White Star, Cunard, North-German Lloyd, others. His book outlines the mechanisms of finance that enabled the building of them.

The Only Way to Cross is replete with descriptions of accommodations, service, comforts of many of these ships, and of their use and misuse in two wars. All was not gallant men against the sea; many fine ships came to humiliating, inglorious ends. Mr. Maxtone-Graham covers this also.

The Great sea disasters are reconstructed in such detail as is known. It will come as a shock to know how many facts of these disasters remain undetermined. For example, the records to this time do not----and probably never will----indicate just how far away the nearest ship was on April 18, 1912 when the Titanic cut a mortal gash in her side on the undersea shelf of an iceberg.

I unabashedly plagiarize from Walter Lord's Forward:

"...Queen Elizabeth, the Mauretania, a Sylvania-Class Cunarder, The America and The Independence lying side by side, just as though they were sailing tomorrow. Only there is no tomorrow. Every one of these fine Transatlantic liners--and nearly all others too--have vanished from service. They are gone as completely as the dirigible, and almost as fast. If the riverboats faded away like a genteel lady in polite decline--if the railroads sagged into shameless decay like a Bowery bum--the Atlantic liner was taken from us like a good friend hit by a truck; swiftly, mercilessly (sic) and leaving a sudden emptiness that is only beginning to be felt.....Perhaps it's better that way. At least the ocean traveler has been spared the pain of slow decline. He will never feel the pang of the train buff who must suffer through that long twilight of boarded-up stations, leaky plumbing, broken seats, peeling paint and lavatories awash with

dirty towels and crumpled cups."

No book is ever all things to all readers and as radio-men, we might have hoped for a more complete recounting of the part that radio (or wireless) played in this dramatic affair, especially in the critical hours, for example the nearest ship to the Titanic safely hove-to with its wireless closed for the night.

It is a little regrettable that Mr. Maxtone-Graham has confined his attention exclusively to the ships of the North Atlantic thereby leaving out the fine ships that the Matson Co., four generations of Lurline and others--operated in the Transpacific trade along with the Empress series (Empress of India, Empress of Britain, etc) of the C.P.R. (Canadian Pacific Railroad), beautiful ships every one although a bit smaller than those of the Atlantic trade.

I doubt that I would get any better score on external objectivity than I gave to John Maxtone-Graham, but if you knew, perhaps sailed in, these giants or even drooled over travel ads about them, you will probably enjoy reading and may even treasure this collected study of them.

73, Bud, W6DLL

A number of members have written to determine just what happened to Bud Neeland's Column in the Summer issue of the News...mainly postal difficulties, we'll try doing a bit better from now on!

--ED

FATHER-SON QCWA MEMBERS

Monroe M. Freedman (Monte), W4MGL (256L) and formerly W2ASI, wrote a note telling us of the membership of himself and his son, "Rich" Freedman, N2HH (12,258L). Monte suggests that other Father-Son members write in and let us know, so that a list of such members can be published regularly. We'll do it! So, if you and your son, your daughter, or your wife are both members, why not let us hear from you...send pix, we'll try to publish them, and make a list each quarter, of those who drop us info. We want to thank Monte for writing, and all we need now is a picture of you two!

Guy Rowney, WB7CRX has written of difficulties in making a contact with the QCWA National Radio Net. Well, Guy, I agree that sometimes it takes dedication to overcome a terrific amount of QRM/QRN...but it can be done and many of us find it worth trying for...keep going, we'll make it a point to watch for your call.

The couple at right are Bob & Lorraine Baird...

Bob, W9NN, is a charter member, #52, and was awarded the Century Club Certificate #54.

They are at home in the City of Plover, Wisconsin...and, you' have to go a long way to find a better looking Gal and Guy!

Studying the picture, I think there's a mistake because Bob doesn't appear half old enough to be a Charter Member!

- Ed.



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BALLOTING INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTION IN CONNECTION WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE QCWA CONSTITUTION

Following extensive review by the QCWA Restructuring Committee and discussion by the Board of Directors, a number of modifications in the QCWA Constitution and By-Laws were presented in the spring issue of QCWA NEWS. Comments were invited with a stipulation that such comments must be received by June 15, 1978, to be considered. Many members did comment, some at length, others briefly...their comments have been reviewed by the Board. It was found that no substantive changes in the proposed Constitutional Amendments were received. The document, as originally presented in Vol. 27, No. 1, of QCWA NEWS, pp 15, 16 & 17 is now being submitted to ballot. Amendments to the By-Laws will be finalized following balloting by members on the Constitutional amendments presented herein.

Please note that ARTICLE III, Section 3, presents a choice of two proposals with respect to the number of Directors specified. Vote for your choice of these two proposed amendments.

Wherever an amendment has been proposed, the new wording is indicated by *Italic* type. If any Section subject to ballot fails to receive the required majority of 2/3 of the votes cast, the corresponding Section in the existing Constitution shall remain in effect, unchanged.

To cast your vote, place an 'X' in the box opposite the appropriate Section number. With exception of ARTICLE III, Section 3, a (Yes) vote signifies your approval of the *Italicized* amendment. A (No) vote signifies your desire that the present wording of the Constitution remain unchanged. When you have completed your vote, cut the ballots from the pages of the NEWS and mail to:

QCWA, Inc.
1409 Cooper Drive
Irving, Texas 75061

The OFFICIAL BALLOT for the Constitutional Amendments is made a part of pages 71, 72 and 73 of Volume 27, of the QCWA Journal. Note that after you have marked your ballot, the upper portion of these pages must be clipped out along the dashed line and sent to QCWA, Inc.

If you wish to maintain secrecy, place the ballot inside a blank envelope and enclose that in a mailing envelope marking the outside of the mailing envelope with the word BALLOT. Make certain your name and call appear at the upper left-hand corner of the mailing envelope. Include your membership number, if possible. Each envelope will be validated for voters eligibility and then held, unopened, for the Tellers Committee. DO NOT include other material in the mailing envelope.

Membership vote on Constitutional amendments must be completed before amendments to the By-Laws can be finalized. A number of constructive suggestions were received with respect to the By-Laws. They will be considered when the Board convenes at its Annual meeting at San Diego. The Board is expected to adopt amendments to the By-Laws that will be consistent with the Amended Constitution. Both documents are planned to be published in the Winter issue of QCWA NEWS. If this schedule is met, it should be possible for any newly adopted amendments to be applicable to the 1979 nominations and elections of Officers and Directors.

PLEASE READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY -- CAST YOUR VOTE TODAY!

Polls will close on December 1

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QUARTER CENTURY WIRELESS ASSOCIATION, INC.

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE I

NAME AND PURPOSES OF THE ASSOCIATION

- Section 1. This Association shall be known as the Quarter Century Wireless Association, Inc.
- Section 2. The purposes of the Association shall be:
- (a) To promote friendship and cooperation among Amateur Radio (wireless) operators who were licensed as such at least a quarter of a century ago.
 - (b) To operate exclusively for charitable, educational and scientific purposes entitling the Association to exemption under the provisions of Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, and more specifically to promote interest in Amateur Radio communications and the advancement of the electronic art, making use of the reservoir of knowledge and experience represented within the membership of QCWA for the benefit of all Radio Amateurs and the furtherance of the public welfare through Amateur Radio communications; to provide a scholarship fund for worthy students who are Radio Amateurs.
 - (c) In the furtherance of its corporate purposes, the Association shall have all general powers enumerated in Section 202 N-PCL, together with the power to solicit grants and contributions for corporate purposes.
 - (d) Nothing herein shall authorize this Association, directly or indirectly, to engage in or include among its purposes, any of the activities mentioned in Not-for-profit Corporation Law, Section 404 (b)-(p) of Executive Law, Section 757.
 - (e) No part of the income of the Association shall inure to the benefit of any member, director or officer of the Association or any private individual (except that reasonable compensation may be paid for services rendered to or for the Association affecting one or more of its purposes), and no member, director or officer of the Association or any private individual shall be entitled to share in the distribution of any of the Association's assets on dissolution of the Association.
 - (f) No part of the activities of the Association shall include participating in or intervening in (including the publication or distribution of statements for) any political campaign on behalf of any candidate for public office or engaging in any substantial way, directly or indirectly, in carrying on propaganda or otherwise attempting to influence legislation.
 - (g) In the event of dissolution, all of the remaining assets and property of the Association shall, after necessary expenses thereof, be distributed to such organizations as shall qualify under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, subject to an order of a Justice of the Supreme Court of the State of New York.
 - (h) The Association shall distribute its income for each taxable year at such time and in such manner as not to subject it to tax under Section 4942 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, and the Association shall not (a) engage in any act of self-dealing as defined in Section 4941 (d) of the Code; (b) retain any excess business holdings as defined in Section 4943 (c) of the Code; (c) make any investments in such manner as to subject the Association to tax under Section 4944 of the Code; or (d) make any taxable expenditures as defined in Section 4945 (d) of the Code.

BALLOT

QCWA Constitutional Changes

1 September, 1978

ARTICLE I	YES	NO
Section 1.		
Section 2.		
(a)	☐	☐
(b)	☐	☐
(c)	☐	☐
(d)	☐	☐
(e)	☐	☐
(f)	☐	☐
(g)	☐	☐
(h)	☐	☐

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ARTICLE II MEMBERSHIP

- Section 1. The membership of the Association shall consist of those persons who have signed the Certificate of Incorporation, together with all persons who are hereafter received into or elected to membership as hereinafter provided.
- Section 2. Any person is eligible for membership who submits satisfactory proof that he or she is at present a licensed Amateur Radio (wireless) operator, that he or she was licensed as such twenty-five or more years prior to making application and who, upon submitting an application, is approved as provided in the By-Laws of the Association.
- Section 3. The class of membership and the fees therefore are as prescribed in the By-Laws.
- Section 4. Any member may withdraw from membership in the Association by presenting to the General Manager a written statement of resignation.
- Section 5. A member may be expelled for violation of the By-Laws of the Association or for other cause prejudicial to the best interests of the Association. Such expulsion may be effected by affirmative vote of two-thirds of the Board of Directors at a duly called meeting.
- Section 6. Any resigned or expelled member forfeits all rights and/or privileges of the Association.

ARTICLE III GOVERNMENT

- Section 1. The general management of the affairs of the Association shall be vested in the Board of Directors, who shall be elected as provided in the By-Laws.
- Section 2. The Officers of the Association shall consist of a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer.

Section 3. ALTERNATE PROPOSALS VOTE FOR ONE

Note: Proposal A retains the present structure of four Officers and five Directors elected at large by the total membership. Proposal B provides for the election of one Director from each of the U.S. call sign areas and one Director to represent foreign membership.

- PROPOSAL A The Board of Directors shall consist of the President, Vice President, Secretary Treasurer and five Directors of the Association
- PROPOSAL B The Board of Directors shall consist of the President, Vice President, Secretary Treasurer and a total of eleven Directors - one from each of the U.S. call sign areas and one to represent foreign members.

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BALLOT

ARTICLE II YES NO

Section 1.

Section 2

Section 3.

Section 4.

Section 5.

Section 6.

ARTICLE III

Section 1.

Section 2.

Section 3.

Vote for one proposal

PROPOSAL A

PROPOSAL B

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- Section 4. The Board of Directors shall meet at least once each year and at the call of the president. At least one half of the Board members shall be present to constitute a quorum.
- Section 5. If a vacancy occurs among the Officers or Directors, such vacancy shall be filled for the unexpired term by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.
- Section 6. The President shall be a member ex-officio of all committees.

ARTICLE IV

MEETINGS

- Section 1. The Association shall hold an Annual Meeting during the second half of each year at a time and place to be designated by the Board of Directors.
- Section 2. The purpose of the Annual Meeting shall be to provide a report of the Board of Directors to the general membership, the installation of Officers and Directors elected during the year and such other business as may be deemed necessary.

ARTICLE V

FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS

- Section 1. No financial obligations shall be incurred on behalf of the Association except by prior approval by affirmative vote of two-thirds of the Board of Directors as covered in the By-Laws.

ARTICLE VI

AMENDMENTS

- Section 1. Amendments to this Constitution may be initiated by a majority vote of the Board of Directors or by petition submitted to the Secretary by at least five percent (5%) of the members in good standing on January first of the year of submission of the petition, provided that no more than 25% of the signatures to the petition be from any one call sign area. Proposed amendments, with a ballot, shall be mailed to the membership at least 60 days before the date appointed for the return of the ballot and the ballot shall carry a statement of the return date limit. Approval of the amendment by at least two-thirds of the members voting shall be necessary for its enactment.
- Section 2. The President, with the approval of the Board of Directors, shall appoint two or more Tellers to count the ballots for the amendment. The Tellers shall certify in writing to the President and the General Manager the results of the ballot count. (New Section)

BALLOT

YES NO

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ARIZONA CHAPTER QCWA

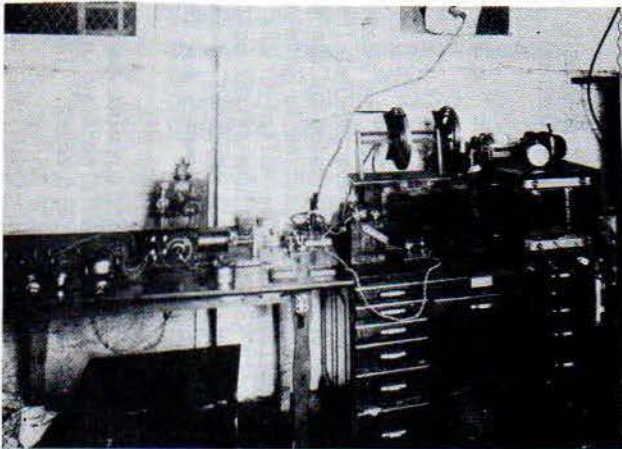
Lucky Brown, K7NTG, sent a copy of the Chapter News. The Fall meeting is announced for the 14th of October, 1978, at Noon, Sir George's Royale Buffet, in Sun City, AZ. All members are urged to attend.. visitors are welcome!

The Chapter announces the passing of Clyde Swenson W7JZG and Parker Burkart, Jr., W7JAJ. Both members had many friends in Sun City, and will be missed.

The Chapter's Newsletter is an excellent paper with much information of interest, and assistance. Our congrats to Lucky and the Gang in Arizona.

-W5EJ

Robert Stolzenbach, W8KP, now living in Sun City, Ariz., sent the picture below. It is of special note, quoting from Bob's note, "The picture shows the set-up at 8YL, Lima, Ohio High School. This is the station that took a message from the east coast, gave it to the west coast direct and relayed the return message. Mr. Leroy M. E. Clausung was the operator." We don't know the date but it appears about 1921-1922. Bob states that helping Mr. Clausung build condensers for 8YL is what started him in Amateur Radio.



HARRY GARTSMAN, W6ATC, President of QCWA, has requested members to provide us with a listing of members areas of "expertise." We are sad to report that response has not been as good as desired. However, the Southern California Chapter has responded in a big way. Moe Joffe, the Chapter Secretary has provided us with a listing of more than 50 members of the Chapter, showing their particular interest, and area of experience. If about three or ten other Chapters would do likewise, we'd get into gear and get the computer programmed so that we could provide all the names needed to cover any project. Again...we urge you, and your Chapter to provide a list...it is not expected that you will be bothered...but, in the event of an emergency, and upon authorization of the Board, QCWA could provide a listing of those with say, radar experience, or bookkeeping experience, etc., to assist Authorities in the event of emergency. The experience represented in the literally thousands of years of work done by QCWA members could be invaluable. Won't you help?

Get Material together, send to Headquarters!

Ralph Cabanillas, W6IL, spent much of July in Amsterdam, Holland, visiting his sister and her family. While I was in Los Angeles (late August), had a long telephone visit with Ralph. He reported that his Sister's home was very beautiful...and that he experienced many problems making the trip to Europe and back.

- W5EJ

BLUE RIDGE CHAPTER QCWA

John McLane, K4FTB, reported on election of Officers in the Chapter! The following were scheduled to take office at the August 9 meeting..

John D. McLane, K4FTB, President

William E. Symons, K4IH, Vice President

Walter A. Howe, W4OZN, Scy/Treasurer.

Meetings are held once a month, second Wednesday. All meetings are announced in the local paper. On-the-air round-tables are 1PM local time, on 3900 kHz.

-K4FTB-

DELAWARE VALLEY CHAPTER

A. G. Wentzel, Jr., W2HX provided a report on the Summer Meeting held June 24, 1978 at the Mill Race in Holland, PA. 74 members and guests were present. Five new members of the Chapter were introduced: K3VA, K2ASF, W2QZV, W2GYW & K2AXQ.

The Delaware Chapter traditionally honors all previous Chairman at one meeting annually. Those so honored at the meeting were:

W2HX, W3KD, W2AXU, W3HK, & W3CL.

A cake for the occasion was brought by Sid Deitz, W2FDE. A number of prizes were donated by W3MFY, of Trevoze Electronics.

Chairman George Hautenschild, W3KD named a nominating Committee of W2AWR, W2OG, W3BFH and W3ZO, charging them to provide a slate of candidates for the next two years.

Roscoe Butterworth, W3AWL was honored by presentation of the Golden Certificate. A discussion on the proposed National Constitutional changes was held. The meeting for Fall was scheduled for September 16, at the Mill Race, in Holland, PA.

-W2HX-

ARK-LA-TEX CHAPTER QCWA

Joe Barber, W5AXA, Secretary of the Chapter reported on the April 25 meeting attended by 16 members. The Chapter decided to hold an on-the-air meeting on Saturday mornings at 8 AM on 7290 kHz. It was planned to hold the next meeting on July 25.

CENTRAL VALLEY CHAPTER QCWA

L. W. Brammer, W6BYH, Scy. of the Chapter read the riot act about getting space in the NEWS...we hear! The Chapter's most recent meeting was held June 11, 1978 at Fini's Cafe, Visalia....for a Champagne Brunch! Entertainment consisted of movies and commentary by Jules Wenglare, W6YO, on his round the world trip on the "Yankee Trader." 17 members and 13 of the wives were in attendance. The next meeting will be a family picnic, September 10, at Memorial Park, Delano.

The Chapter has begun a Chapter bulletin. We have Vol. 1, No. 2 at hand, and it is well done. The Chapter roster was printed completely. It is Headquarters opinion that a newsletter prepared and distributed by each Chapter is a very valuable asset, holding everyone together.

The only thing missing was a picture or two of the gang. How about sending something next time around?

SPECIAL NOTE TO ALL MEMBERS

Some of you must have seen the Ehrhorn Advertisement in the Summer Issue. We've received quite a few notes indicating a problem in that the advertisement was for an item not available. We did it...ran the advertisement from the Spring issue, not the one properly supplied to us. We apologize both to you, QCWA Members and to Ehrhorn alike. We will try to do much better from now on.

-W5EJ-

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CHARTER MEMBERS

CHARTER MEMBERS - Members have written Headquarters requesting information on the Charter Members. How many of them are still with us, and who they were, and what their membership numbers were. Ralph Hasslinger, W2CVF, has made up a list which is believed accurate.

The first 34 members are Founding Fathers--that is, they attended the Founding meeting on December 5, 1947. In the following list, silent key members are indicated by the asterik (*). Call letters are those believed correct at this time. Silent Key members are listed with their original call letters assigned at the time of joining the Organization.

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| 1. John DiBlasi, W2FX | 19. Frank Frimmerman, W2FZ* | 37. F. A. Long, W2PYY* |
| 2. G. T. Droste, W2IN* | 20. Alfred B. O'Hara, W2OG | 38. Oscar Oehman, W2KU* |
| 3. Leon Hansen, W2FIT* | 21. Harold D. Perry, W2LFR* | 39. Murray Blum, W2MY |
| 4. David Talley, W2PF | 22. Dr. A. L. Walsh, W2BW* | 40. W. L. Wheeler, Jr., W2ILO* |
| 5. James Millen, W1HRX | 23. Ralph Hasslinger, W2CVF | 41. W. E. Owens, W2DDA |
| 6. Fred W. Huff, W2AMB* | 24. F. C. W. Thiede, W2EC* | 42. Moe Joffe, W6PHE |
| 7. Irving Groves, K4HT | 25. E. W. Dannals, W2GG* | 43. Nat Burnett, K4OL |
| 8. W. J. Howell, W2II* | 26. Thomas McCann, K8CM | 44. Perce B. Collison, W2KN* |
| 9. Uda B. Ross, W2UD* | 27. R. D. Valentine, W2GX* | 45. George Nolan, W2QF* |
| 10. W. H. Neuman, W2RB | 28. John A. Gioe, W2FD* | 46. Harold Wetterholm, W2BKY* |
| 11. E. S. Crane, W2EF | 29. Walter A. Cobb, W2CO | 47. Philip Levinson, W2MIN* |
| 12. Otto Eppers, W2EA* | 30. Earl R. Thomas, W2MM* | 48. Dr. E. A. Cyriax, W2DI* |
| 13. Frank Lester, W4AMJ | 31. Clarence Seid, W2KW | 49. Dr. Paul Z. Haus, W2VH* |
| 14. J. A. Stobbe, W2WZ* | 32. Kurt Schoenfeld, W2BT* | 50. Charles A. Service, Jr., W4IE* |
| 15. Lester Reiss, W2BR | 33. Reeve O. Strock, W2YW* | 51. Myron J. Earl, W9WNF* |
| 16. Morton Kahn, K4KR | 34. Raymond Farwell, W2BJ* | 52. Robert E. Baird, W9NN |
| 17. Dan E. Lindsay, W2PL* | 35. Jack Heidt, W4MW | 53. Gordon Braendle, W6YYU* |
| 18. H. T. Hayden, Jr., W2FO* | 36. W. H. Kennedy, W2AS | 54. Ambrose H. Hardwick, W2YQ |

20 of the 34 Founding Fathers have become SK. A total of 32 of the 54 Charter members are SK.

On behalf of all QCWA Members, we want to thank Ralph, W2CVF, for his work in making up the list displayed above.

In the picture below, George Bailey, W1KH, is pictured.. Several fine National Receivers are shown, as well as a home-made transmitter. George, now deceased, was a National Director for QCWA. The picture, sent by "Web" our Arizona friend, W7BXR. In addition, Web sent a copy of the DeForest Bulletin, A17. Some beautiful pictures of equipment available about 1920. The Bulletin will be a part of QCWA Material, and our thanks to "Web."



Beth Taylor, W7NJS, has been named "National Representative for the NW Chapter."

Chet Rataski, K8GRO wrote with respect to the "Meritorious Award. Don't hear from you often enough, Chet!"

W7BXR sent in a nice letter commenting on QCWA proposed Constitutional changes. Web is 85 now, in good health and is a former Senior Member of IEEE. Thanks for sending a fine letter, Web!

CHICAGO AREA CHAPTER QCWA

Ero Erickson, W9HPJ provided a bit of sunshine, pictures and stories on the July meet at the Itasca Country Club...95 members and guests were on hand. The featured speaker was TWA's Captain Robert Sherman. The program was fine, discussions superb & the food - voila!

With so much enjoyment, business lagged. Three new members were welcomes, W9BUB, W9USK and W9ZGV. Ero awarded a framed photograph to VP, Paul Crum, W9LC autographed by WGN announcer Carl Grayson...Both had worked the big band broadcast remotes from the Aragon in the 1930's.... NBC Blue?

The the pix below, cheerful Carl Stockslager, W9FOO, of Brookfield attends often with Sybil...this inspite of the fact that he comes via wheel chair. Carl works 2 m FM and a lot of 20 meter MARS contacts...



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EDMUND SERUR, W5CNO

ACCEPTS CHAIRMANSHIP OF TELLERS COMMITTEE

Edmund Serur, W5CNO, "ED" as most of his friends hail him, has graciously accepted the responsibility for the counting of ballots in the Constitutional Election. Ed is quite a guy - so you can know him a bit better, we've insisted that he give a bit of the inside dope--!

Born June 27, 1917, at San Marcos, Texas, Ed graduated from High School in 1935 and immediately assisted in his father's business. Moved to Tyler, Texas in 1938. Attended college, receiving a degree in business administration. After a brief spell working in a local bank he went to the VA in Washington, and in Civil Service began as a high-speed operator at the War Department message center station W A R. Was inducted into the Army Signal Corps in 1942 and re-assigned to W A R. Transferred to W T J, Fort Shafter, T. H., during early part of 1942... Was discharged from the service in 1945 with the rank of Technical Sergeant!

After the War, returned to San Marcos and went into business with his brother until 1957. Returned to banking in 1957, joining the First National Bank of San Marcos, as Assistant Cashier. Returned to Tyler in the summer of 1960 assisting in opening the Southside State Bank. Was promoted to Vice President and Cashier. In 1972 resigned to help open another bank - the Heritage National Bank. Held the position of Vice President and cashier until the spring of 1976. Became associated with a group of Tyler business men and assisted in organizing another bank. The Rose Capital Bank, which will be opening in late 1978. Ed will be a member of the Board!

Ed is presently semi-retired, hamming a lot! He's kept in line by his lovely wife, Thelma. They have 3 boys, two dogs and 3 grandchildren...not necessarily in order. He's especially proud of 3 grandchildren.

Everyone admits that Ed knows how to count money... we're all pretty sure he can count votes!

-WGATC

MISTER, WHAT IS YOUR PROBLEM?

Weather-message transmission times, Sir

Everyone has heard about the other person being in the right place at the right time. Few of us have had the joy of being that person. But, I did once during World War II in Manila! I hope some of the involved people whose names I have forgotten or never knew read this someday and respond. I would be overjoyed to share the incident with them. For now, let me recite the circumstances.

I was a first lieutenant in the Army Air Corps acting as the weather liaison officer between army and Navy weather personnel. My outfit (68th AACS Group) provided the airways communications links, consequently my job was a responsible one. It was more than I realized as the Allied invasion of the near Islands was being planned, unknown to me.

One morning a friend of mine, an army captain in charge of our detail, waved me into a jeep and took me to Manila to Navy headquarters. Why? He was not sure but it had something to do with weather transmissions.

When we arrived, we found ourselves among thirty (I counted them) Navy commanders. We numbered only two and ranked well below the lowest naval rating present! Furthermore, the meeting was presided over by five Navy Captains, one of whom was familiar to us.

VOTE - TODAY!

The theme of this meeting of naval personnel (I was not sure why we army people were there) was that Navy weather messages between Manila and Guam were taking up to eight hours. How could they reduce this time? Much debate went on. During it I must have squirmed in my chair because the ranking captain would have cut me down, I am sure, except for inter-service courtesy. He asked in disdain, "Mister, what is your problem?" I answered I thought the length of transmission time discussed was excessive. This was a real slap in his face. He asked me with less than a courteous look on his face if I thought Army could do any better. Being brash, young and out-of-my-head at the time, I replied, "Yes, Sir. I think we can do it in about one hour!" This after being told the Navy's finest was having trouble doing it in less than 8 hours was indeed a blast of cold water in the room. I can still remember the silence I received from that comment! My army friend hardly breathed! And on that note the meeting was dismissed.

As soon as I got back to my office (weather central where AACS messages, including weather, were transmitted) I contacted all operators on the circuit and gave them the word to expedite all weather. For twenty-four hours we kept a log of the times it took to transmit the weather to our station in Guam. Once or twice we took as long as 20 minutes so I threw out the logs. We could do much better. Eight hours, indeed!

The next set of logs for 48 hours showed a maximum of five minutes. So, I took it to the captain who had put me down at the Manila meeting. He was in command of the naval portion of the weather central. When he looked at the logs, I thought he was going to kiss me! He was ecstatic. In fact, when he was later relieved of command he introduced me to his successor as his right hand man and said to him he should do anything I wanted. I did bask in that glory short as it was. I had been in the right place (Manila Navy headquarters) at the right time (Navy brass summit meeting) for once in my life!

However, what I never revealed to them or to many before now was that we had a duplex (not simplex) radio-teletype circuit between Manila and Guam. In the Navy meeting I figured we should have been able to transmit and receive acknowledgement of those weather messages that took them eight hours (by hand key, mind you) in no less than 2 minutes. So, I added a fudge factor and said 60 minutes! And, we did it in about five!

-Charles J. Ellis, WØYBV
2304 Storm Street
Ames, Iowa 50010

SPACEPORT CHAPTER QCWA

Fritz Fredrickson, K4JFP, Secty of the Chapter reported on the May meeting at Sizzlin-Steak House, Merritt Island, FL. President Guy Blencoe introduced guests, and announced a new roster will soon be printed, and members were urged to make certain all addresses, etc., were correct.

A discussion was held regarding improvement in participation in the Chapters on-the-air network. Members are urged to get on the state net, 7255 kHz at 12:30 PM on Sundays, and the CW net on Wednesdays, 7035 kHz, 1300 GMT. The Chapter will host the QCWA luncheon meeting at the Melbourne Hamfest early in September. Charles Potts and Don Ashdon are working together to arrange the work.

Guest speaker for the meeting was Art Greene, K4DQC, from the Kennedy Space Center, who presented a fine talk on Universal timing...as used by world-wide communication.

- K4JFP-

New QCWA Chapters

CENTRAL FLORIDA CHAPTER

The newly organized Central Florida Chapter of QCWA was issued its Charter on May 15, 1978. Organizational leg work was done by Robert Webb, W4NY, assisted by a large number of members. At the first official meeting of the Chapter, held June 10, at the Crest Buffet Restaurant in Lakeland, Florida, the Charter was officially presented to Bob Webb, W4NY, President of the Chapter. 47 members and friends witnessed the event. The Officers elected were:

Bob Webb, W4NY, President
Phil McMasters, W4BCZ, Vice President
Thomas L. Braxton, W4RIH, Secretary
Alfred L. Streling, W4OFT, Treasurer

Directors elected were Mark Hanna, W4HS; Ernestine McMasters, W4KOH and Bill Hunsicker, K4DF. It was voted to hold meeting on the second Saturday of each month....

The Chapter's Official Charter No. is 107

BEAVER STATE CHAPTER

The BEAVER STATE CHAPTER received its Charter June 19th, 1978. The Chapter began as an inspiration of a group of QCWA members anxious to establish a Chapter to encourage fellowship among the Oregon gang. First work was done by Howard Truax, W7SO, help was immediately forthcoming. Under the enthusiasm generated by Jim Walsh, W7LVN, Dick Fox, W7EFS and many others, the Chapter obtained the required 50 members to obtain a Banner from Headquarters..

We are proud of those who worked so hard to bring the Chapter into existence. But then, hard work is a tradition in the Beautiful Northwest!

Officers of the Chapter elected were:

James C. Walsh, W7LVN, President
Richard Fox, W7EFS, Secretary

The Chapter will have the Official Number 108.

BATON ROUGE CHAPTER

The BATON ROUGE CHAPTER received its Charter August 18, 1978. Baton Rouge QCWA Members have been working for a short while, and have come up with nearly 40 members who signed the Charter. The Chapter is expected to be eligible for the QCWA Banner before the Charter is closed.. El Charlton, W5MD has spear-headed the drive, receiving a great deal of help from members anxious to get going on a Chapter in Baton Rouge.

As we looked over the names on the Charter, there were many familiar names and calls...there's no doubt in our mind that the Chapter will be going for the National Convention soon! Chapter Officers elected are:

E. B. Charlton, W5MD, President
Wesley M. Chatellier, W5DPM, Secretary

The Chapter will have the Official Number 109.

David Talley, W2PF, was awarded the "Century Club Certificate!"

QCWA NEWS is sent complimentary to a number of organizations...several University Librarys and the Library of Congress are among those receiving the NEWS!

WA7UXT obtained a glossy print of the Western Electric - JB transmitter from Ken Hiler!

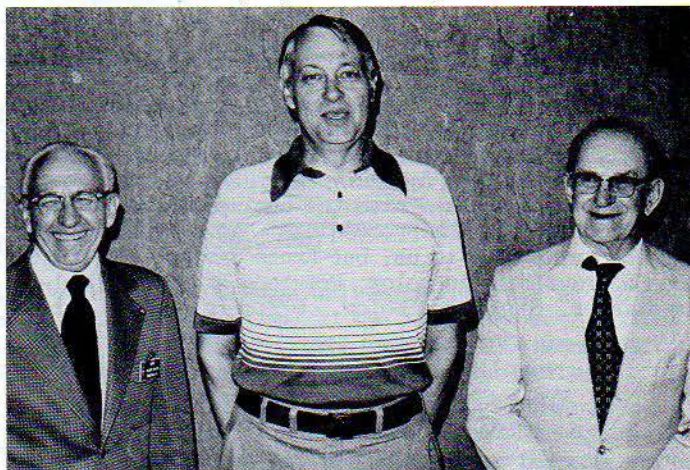
KANSAS CHAPTER QCWA

A Charter has been issued to the newly formed KANSAS CHAPTER of QCWA. A formal petition for the Charter, with the required number of member signatures has been received. An organizational meeting was held at Concordia, Kansas. Members present voted for the name chosen and elected a number of Officers to carry out the work making the Chapter a living entity. Officials elected are:

Wilbur Naylor, W0WXY, President
Charles Johnston, W0HGE, Vice Pres.
Wendell Wilson, W0TQ, Secretary/Tr.

The Chapter will have the Official Number -110-

In the picture below are: L-R, Wilbur Naylor, W0WXY, Wendell Wilson, W0TQ, and Charles Johnston, W0HGE. Congratulations!!!



Pix by W0CHJ

I SAY OLD BOY, IT'S TIME TO BIPPLE THE TALLOT!

ROADRUNNER CHAPTER QCWA The Roadrunner Chapter held its dinner meeting the evening of March 30, at the Elks Club in Albuquerque with 22 members and guests in attendance.

The Chapter Banner was officially presented by William Obrist, W5FT, a ham for over 50 years and a Chapter member.



Above, L-R, are: Einar H. Morterud, W5FPG, Vice Pres.; William D. Sperry, K5BVP, President; Loyt Lathrop, W5YSK Secretary/Treasurer and Bill Obrist, W5FT.

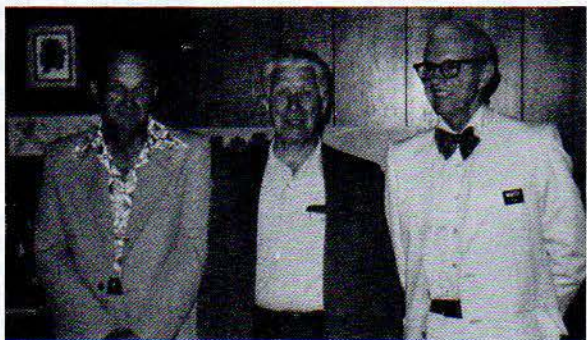
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FORT WAYNE CHAPTER QCWA

Ted Clifton, W9TC sent in a fine picture of the Officers of the Chapter. Ted noted that it was hard to get black-white pix...yes, can't find 'em any more. Color is OK..watch the backgrounds and get as light a print as possible. Chapter Officers are, L-R in the picture below:

Robert Stone, W9JRR, Vice President
Merton Baird, Secretary/Treasurer, W9GZV
Ted Clifton, W9TC, President



The Chapter semiannual meeting was held at the Alpine Restaurant on June 20. Robert Stone spoke on NBVM. The Chapter has several Ohio boys who attend regularly.

SAN ANTONIO CHAPTER QCWA

Frances Bruenmer, W5KQG, sent a fine report on activities in the Chapter. It looks as though we'll be hearing quite a bit from SA, and that is just right. On May 31, Ethel Smith and Tex were made guests at a special Chapter meeting. 30 members were in attendance, with guests. Pictured below, L-R, are:

Bill Minors, W5AET, Chapter President, Ethel, K4LMB and Tex Debardeleben, W4TE.



In added comment, Frances reported that The Chapter had its annual combination picnic/meeting on July 15. John Shean, K5DB secured the location at Randolph AFB. Meat for the event was BBQ'd by Ray Wangler, W5EDZ. in spite of the heat, it was an enjoyable event.

SOUTHERN ONTARIO CHAPTER QCWA

VE3QE, Les Whetham, reported on the May 13 meeting of the Chapter. Held at the Glen Cove Inn, Stoney Creek, with 48 registered. A new membership directory was included in the material. It is a fine roster. The Chapter membership has grown to 111, which is something to be proud of!

Pictures taken at the meeting were to be sent, but have not been received at time for going to press. At the risk of getting a punch in the nose, George Clark, QCWA chief operator for the CW net asked that all members of the Chapter please check in once in a while!

President Bob Potter, VE3TO resigned, due to reasons of health. The new Chapter President is:

Mel Riddell, VE3QU!

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER QCWA

The Fall Dinner-meeting of the Southern California Chapter has been re-scheduled for November 11, 1978. The new date was necessary because of the National QCWA Convention which will take place in San Diego on September 21 & 22. The meeting is to be held at the Winchester Inn, in Long Beach. Mark your calendars & enjoy a N.Y. steak dinner with us. For those so inclined, a skeet shooting range adjacent to the Inn will be available during daylight hours. Bring your blunderbus & get proficient.

A Committee has been formed to aid survivors of deceased members of the Chapter in disposing of Ham gear. It is our sincere hope they will have little to do!

Our Sunday morning QCWA Phone & CW nets are well attended. The pre-net discussions cover wide & divers subjects. Come join us, we believe you will be pleasantly surprised...3917 kHz at 9AM, and 3695 kHz for CW at 11 AM.

The Chapter has just about completed preparation of a roster listing areas of expertise for each member. These are to be coded into our National Roster and subject to Official approval, to be made available to governmental authorities & others, in the event of an emergency! -W6PHE

A REQUEST FOR INFORMATION!!

Charles Ellis, W0YBV, has written requesting a bit of help, and I think he came to the right place. Will a good QCWA Member please write Charles, 2304 Storm St., Ames, Iowa 50010 with answers to the following:

Question: Is Ted McElroy still alive? Does he still hold the world's record for manually copying code?

Question: Does anyone know of the whereabouts of John Rhilinger, an associate of Ted McElroy during WW-II? Please advise!

Charles has taken the initiative and is writing to all QCWA members in Iowa, in an effort to encourage formation of an IOWA CHAPTER of QCWA. If you haven't yet a copy of his letter, write him at the above address. I think his idea is excellent, I believe his idea is good and I know that much pleasure can come to those taking part in establishment of a Chapter. If we here in the Office can help, we sure want to! -W5EJ-

Editorial Policy Matter!

In QCWA we are a bit different than other Publications, our Journal must reflect the interests of Membership, record our follies and our moments of grandure. With a membership of old-timers we are all to aware of the passing of friends. We have, in the past attempted to avoid mentioning these events on the theory that the Journal would soon be filled with nothing else. I personally think this is an unacceptable view. One of the finest things we as humans do, is to give tribute to our friends who have been called away. We will therefore accept short memorial notes. Please understand that when we do not print every word sent in, we are trying to give as much space as possible, consistant with with an overall balance. When you are called upon to write a memorial for an old friend, let us have it...we'll print it! -W5EJ

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QCWA VIGNETTE

With as many wonderful members as we in QCWA have, it is often hard to pick one person to place in our Spotlight...but not this issue...Herb Hollister, who lives in Boulder, Colorado, a member of the Colorado Chapter of QCWA, is known across the country. His call, WØDRD, originally 9DRD, is familiar to many. Herb obtained his license in May, 1925 and has been active since then. During the late 1920's & early 1930's he was an avid experimenter, developing circuits and applications. About 1927 he became interested in frequency stability and the newly found "quartz" crystals. In a short time he became one of a few radiomen in America having an understanding of the piezo-electric effect and its application to radio communications. His work in this field let to full-time activity during WW-II as a manufacturer of these critical items for the War effort. The Hollister Crystal Company produced many hundreds of thousands of crystal for the Signal Corps and the war-time effort.

In 1918, Herb joined the Marines expecting to be shipped out in combat contrary to the usual military penchant for making cooks out of physicists, Herb was made a rifle coach...since that time he has become a leading world marksman, winning hundreds of competitive events, the most recent in Denver, during June, 1978. His experience over many years makes him a formidable opponent in spite of lowered visual acuity. He is now 79 years of age.

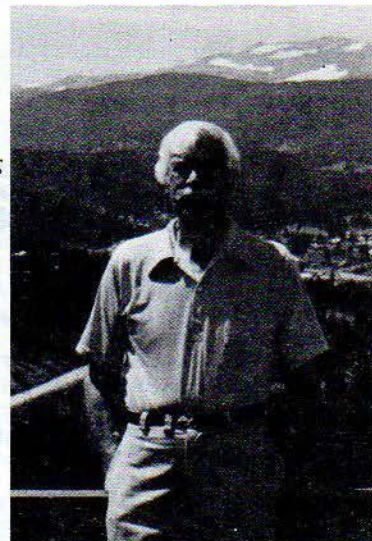
Over the years, Herb has climbed all of Colorado's 54 mountains having heights of 14,000 feet or more. His last big climb, in 1957, was Mt. Kilimanjaro! A member of the prestigious Adaman Club of Colorado Springs, he has spent many December 31sts climbing Pikes Peak to take part in the annual fireworks display from that point.

In 1921, he became interested in radio, working at WAAZ, owned by "Mac," his brother, at Emporia, Kansas. There were fewer than 50 stations in the U.S. at that time and no concept of commercial broadcasting as we now know it. In 1932, he became owner of Radio Station WLBF, in Kansas City, Kansas, in partnership with Zan Maitland, W9DEF, (now deceased). Working 12 hours a day he brought WLBF through the "recession." In 1936, WLBF was sold to Senator Arthur Capper. Herb then moved to Wichita, Kansas where he in association with Charles Theis, founded Radio Station KANS. He has been an owner of KMMJ, Grand Island, Nebraska; KFNF, in Shenandoa, as well as Radio KXXX, in Colby, Kansas. Since WW-II, he has founded Stations KBOL, Boulder, and KOOL, at Fort Collins, Colorado. During all of these associations, he has performed announcing, sales, newscasting and sportscasting...and all the while serving as a licensed Commercial Radio Operator.

Herb has been married 56 years, in the event he describes as "the best thing that ever happened to me," he asked and received the hand of Elizabeth Atteberry on May 9, 1923. They were joined at Fort Scott, Kansas. One son, Herbert, Jr., was born August 19, 1932. Herb Jr., is a nuclear physicist!

Herb can be heard operating CW on 14108 each day, communicating with his grandson, a student attending the University of Washington, at Seattle.

QCWA Salutes an outstanding Amateur Pioneer, experimenter, businessman, marksman, mountain climber and Gentleman!



Herb Hollister - WØDRD

ADDRESS AND MAILING INFORMATION

From time to time we find it desirable to repeat information which we have printed earlier...For your information...we now list only one address for each member, only one call and no titles. The reason for this policy is to adapt to the requirements of a computer roster. There are at least two other reasons for address matters. We have a firm policy of not changing a members address unless we get a written request from him. There are still some who get a kick out of giving us false information, perhaps it is done innocently, but in any event, no address is changed unless authorized in writing. With QCWA ballots being sent in the NEWSLETTER, balloting is based on zip-code only...so two addresses would mean getting two ballots. Titles require space in the computer and we simply do not have it.

Please keep us advised of address changes, by mail.... there is no other way to do it, a policy adopted only to protect you.

-W5EJ-

1979 QSO PARTY

It appears that the 1979 QSO Party is to be sponsored, judged and operated by the Long Island, NY Chapter of QCWA. A committee, headed by Art DeVinney, W2RRY, is planning of the biggest and best ever. QCWA is proud to accept their offer. Rules for the Party are to be printed in the Winter issue of QCWA News, which, Lord willing, will be in your hands before February 1.

A STORY FROM AN OLD-TIMER

On June 9, 1908, I became a young man of 16 years....my chum lived 2 blocks away and we had radio transmitters consisting of door buzzers. The antennas were hooked to the buzzer vibrator. A six volt battery was used to power the rig. Our receivers were loose-couplers wound on an oat-meal box and a cat whisker detector. The headphone was an old telephone receiver. We learned to talk, by code, with this radio transmitting and receiving apparatus.

In 1910, the Electro Importing Company advertised a one inch spark coil, electrolytic detector and a double set of headphones, all of which were purchased. We used our initials for call-letters.

In August, 1912, Congress passed a law governing radio and I took my first license in 1913. In April, 1917 all licenses were cancelled, and in December, 1917, I enlisted in the Navy. Spent 4 months teaching code. This was done at the University of Washington Naval School... I returned home in 1919, in May, and received my radio license in 1920, 7HD.

Wonderful days...radio was young, I was young, and there was little that seemed impossible. I have held the radio call W7ATY as well as my W7FY.

A. A. Thibodo, W7FY

Len Mayers, W3FVF, sent a nice letter commenting on QCWA NEWS...his words were welcome..write again, Len.

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- 9 Combination ALC control and NOISE BLANKER on/off switch.
- 10 DRIVE control for final stage.
- 11 SQUELCH combination on/off switch and control.
- 12 4-Position SELECTIVITY switch for SSB and CW.
- 13 4-Position MODE switch: automatic SSB Normal, Reverse, CW, and Lock (key down).
- 14 Combination push-gull POWER switch and AUDIO LEVEL control.
- 15 Combination RF ATTENUATOR on/off switch and control.
- 16 VOX GAIN control.

- 17 VOX DELAY control.
- 18 VOX ANTI-TRIP control.
- 19 11-Position BAND SWITCH.
- 20 MICROPHONE jack: hi-z input.
- 21 HEADPHONE jack.
- 22 RECEIVER OFF-SET TUNING SWITCH: 3-position: Max-Min-Off.
- 23 VOX-PTT SWITCH.
- 24 QSK (full break-in) SWITCH: 2-position: Fast-Slow.

CITRUS CHAPTER QCWA

George Sperry, W4UKA, sent the pix at right, showing outgoing Chairman, Ralph Haburton, K4DZ, passing the gavel to the newly elected Chairman Chalmers Stromber, W4WLX.

The change in administration occurred June 17.

CITRUS CHAPTER has asked to Host the QCWA 1980 Annual meeting. The Board of Directors (National) will take up the matter at the San Diego meeting. Announcement of dates and place of the 1980 Convention will be made in a later issue of QCWA News.



CENTRAL OKLAHOMA CHAPTER QCWA

Ralph Rea, W5AA, Chairman of the Chapter wrote, sending a copy of the July Chapter newsletter. Activities planned included the quarterly Chapter meeting, July 16, and sponsoring a QCWA breakfast at Ham Holiday, which took place July 30. There is considerable activity in connection with increasing membership in QCWA and the Chapter. Included in the letter was an amendment to Article VIII of the Chapter Constitution and, some up-to-date additions to the Roster. The Chapter is to be congratulated for its work and we know it will grow!

Hans Schleifenbaum, DL1YA has written of some good suggestions. The locations of Chapters we left off of the map printed in the Summer issue of the NEWS will be included. Hans suggested a dot at the edge of the map, showing the Chapter Number and name, where not located in the map area proper. In addition, the Chapter's are to be listed in the numerical sequence. A new Map will be presented in the Winter issue! We just can't find anything wrong with his suggestions!

Barry Goldwater, U. S. Senator from Arizona and Past President of QCWA has written a letter to Harry Gartsman, W6ATC, in approval of QCWA News as it appears in its new format.

Russ Reece, W8BXS, of the MUSKEGON CHAPTER QCWA wrote to indicate the Chapter location for the next map, which will be printed in the Winter Issue of the NEWS. Thanks, Russ. It'll be in!

MICHIGAN CHAPTER QCWA

The annual meeting, held June 10, 1978 at Township Hall, Newberry, Michigan. The Nominating Committee's slate of candidates was presented for consideration by W8HM, President. Those elected, without opposition were:

Gary, W8GJH, President
Leo, W8CPY, Vice President
"Ed", W8CAM, Treasurer
Vern, W8MX, Secretary.

The group welcomed it's newest member, Don, W8HSQ. Some discussion on the annual picnic date was held, but final decision was left for discussion "on-the-air". - W8MX

Wilbur Stelzer, W8CPM wrote concerning the proposed modifications to the Constitution...a bit confused on what is being proposed! Quite a few members are in the same boat, Wilbur.

DAYTON/CINCINNATI CHAPTER QCWA

Tom Cornett, Chairman of the Chapter reported on the Dayton Hamvention, held April 28. The QCWA Chapter Spring banquet was attended by more than 87 members and friends. Main speaker was the ARRL President, Harry Dannals, W2HD, who spoke on the warc 1979 Conference. Lee Knirko, a Director of the Chicago Area Chapter spoke on QCWA matters. A highlight of the meeting was presentation of the QCWA Golden Certificate to Dave Marquette, W8DHJ, of Dayton, by Harry Dannals. At the Saturday Hamvention banquet, Frank Schwab, W8OK, received the "Amateur of the Year" award of outstanding service to the public and the Amateur Radio Community. Ron Moorefield W8ILC, was awarded a specific achievement award for his work in QRP operation. It is regarded with pride, that of the 24 previous "Amateur of the Year" awards, 12 have been won by QCWA Members!

-Tom Cornett, W8MC



In the Pix above, L-R are: Harry Dannals, W2HD; Dave Marquette, W8DHJ and Tom Cornett, W8MC.

EAST TENNESSEE CHAPTER QCWA

Bob Embry, Secretary, sent a report on the July 15 meeting at the Crossville Hamfest with 25 members and visitors in attendance. The weather was stormy, but fellowship was good. Ellen White, W1YL, was the special speaker, and all in attendance enjoyed the affair. The fall meeting is to be held in November at Pigeon Forge, Tennessee.



Pictured above, L-R, are: Bob Embry, W4HHQ, Secretary/Treasurer; Roaul Wright, K4EAJ, Vice President and, Phil Ewald, W4EWR, President of the Chapter.

George Klaus, W2CJS, wrote regarding the cover picture on the front of Volume 27, No. 2, QCWA News. Hope that we were able to help, George!

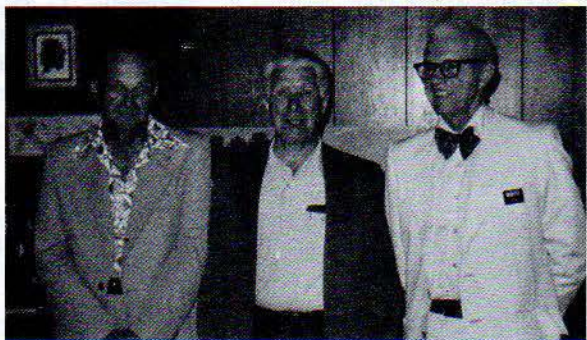
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FORT WAYNE CHAPTER QCWA

Ted Clifton, W9TC sent in a fine picture of the Officers of the Chapter. Ted noted that it was hard to get black-white pix...yes, can't find 'em any more. Color is OK..watch the backgrounds and get as light a print as possible. Chapter Officers are, L-R in the picture below:

Robert Stone, W9JRR, Vice President
Merton Baird, Secretary/Treasurer, W9GZV
Ted Clifton, W9TC, President



The Chapter semiannual meeting was held at the Alpine Restaurant on June 20. Robert Stone spoke on NBVM. The Chapter has several Ohio boys who attend regularly.

SAN ANTONIO CHAPTER QCWA

Frances Bruenmer, W5KQG, sent a fine report on activities in the Chapter. It looks as though we'll be hearing quite a bit from SA, and that is just right. On May 31, Ethel Smith and Tex were made guests at a special Chapter meeting. 30 members were in attendance, with guests. Pictured below, L-R, are:

Bill Minors, W5AET, Chapter President, Ethel, K4LMB and Tex Debardeleben, W4TE.



In added comment, Frances reported that The Chapter had its annual combination picnic/meeting on July 15. John Shean, K5DB secured the location at Randolph AFB. Meat for the event was BBQ'd by Ray Wangler, W5EDZ. in spite of the heat, it was an enjoyable event.

SOUTHERN ONTARIO CHAPTER QCWA

VE3QE, Les Whetham, reported on the May 13 meeting of the Chapter. Held at the Glen Cove Inn, Stoney Creek, with 48 registered. A new membership directory was included in the material. It is a fine roster. The Chapter membership has grown to 111, which is something to be proud of!

Pictures taken at the meeting were to be sent, but have not been received at time for going to press. At the risk of getting a punch in the nose, George Clark, QCWA chief operator for the CW net asked that all members of the Chapter please check in once in a while!

President Bob Potter, VE3TO resigned, due to reasons of health. The new Chapter President is:

Mel Riddell, VE3QU!

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA CHAPTER QCWA

The Fall Dinner-meeting of the Southern California Chapter has been re-scheduled for November 11, 1978. The new date was necessary because of the National QCWA Convention which will take place in San Diego on September 21 & 22. The meeting is to be held at the Winchester Inn, in Long Beach. Mark your calendars & enjoy a N.Y. steak dinner with us. For those so inclined, a skeet shooting range adjacent to the Inn will be available during daylight hours. Bring your blunderbus & get proficient.

A Committee has been formed to aid survivors of deceased members of the Chapter in disposing of Ham gear. It is our sincere hope they will have little to do!

Our Sunday morning QCWA Phone & CW nets are well attended. The pre-net discussions cover wide & divers subjects. Come join us, we believe you will be pleasantly surprised...3917 kHz at 9AM, and 3695 kHz for CW at 11 AM.

The Chapter has just about completed preparation of a roster listing areas of expertise for each member. These are to be coded into our National Roster and subject to Official approval, to be made available to governmental authorities & others, in the event of an emergency! -W6PHE

A REQUEST FOR INFORMATION!!

Charles Ellis, W0YBV, has written requesting a bit of help, and I think he came to the right place. Will a good QCWA Member please write Charles, 2304 Storm St., Ames, Iowa 50010 with answers to the following:

Question: Is Ted McElroy still alive? Does he still hold the world's record for manually copying code?

Question: Does anyone know of the whereabouts of John Rhilinger, an associate of Ted McElroy during WW-II? Please advise!

Charles has taken the initiative and is writing to all QCWA members in Iowa, in an effort to encourage formation of an IOWA CHAPTER of QCWA. If you haven't yet a copy of his letter, write him at the above address. I think his idea is excellent, I believe his idea is good and I know that much pleasure can come to those taking part in establishment of a Chapter. If we here in the Office can help, we sure want to! -W5EJ-

Editorial Policy Matter!

In QCWA we are a bit different than other Publications, our Journal must reflect the interests of Membership, record our follies and our moments of grandure. With a membership of old-timers we are all to aware of the passing of friends. We have, in the past attempted to avoid mentioning these events on the theory that the Journal would soon be filled with nothing else. I personally think this is an unacceptable view. One of the finest things we as humans do, is to give tribute to our friends who have been called away. We will therefore accept short memorial notes. Please understand that when we do not print every word sent in, we are trying to give as much space as possible, consistant with with an overall balance. When you are called upon to write a memorial for an old friend, let us have it...we'll print it! -W5EJ

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NEBRASKA CHAPTER QCWA

C. E. Charlie McNeel, WØEXP, was presented his 50 year Golden Certificate by Nebraska Chapter Director WØGEQ. The presentation was made at home of Charlie's son, Marvin, who is also an amateur..

Charlie has been a Lincoln County resident for nearly 80 years and has ranched northeast of Hershey since the mid-1940's, being one of the Chapter's "cowboys."

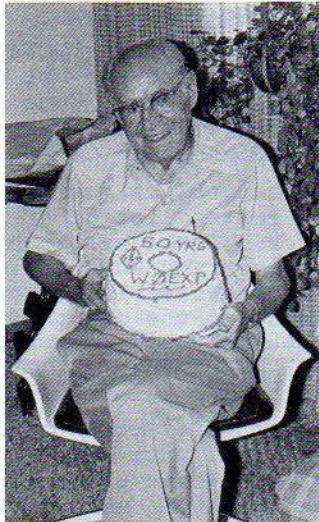
McNeel's station is mentioned in the book "The Story of Amateur Radio," for services performed during the blizzard of 1930. The article reads in part, "On the 20th of November, 1930, W9BBS (now deceased) was contacted by the Union Pacific Railway to establish communication to the west. Traffic was handled by WØEXP for 22 hours before lines were repaired, totaling 3,100 words in 100 messages."

The Award Ceremony was made as a complete as a complete surprise to Charlie who is pictured at right. The cake was baked by WØBJ's daughter.

It's pretty tough to sit in Texas looking at that cake and not getting a bite..

Headquarters joins with all of the Nebraska boys in appreciation of Charlie's efforts on behalf of Amateur Radio and QCWA - still wish we had a piece of that cake

A bunch of the fellows who attended the surprise party are shown in the pix below, sent in by Art Gaeth, WØFQB



NATIONAL CAPITAL CHAPTER QCWA

Frank Rapp, VE3RZ wrote a nice letter on activities in Ottawa and surrounding territory. The Chapter held its first meeting in 1978 on the 10th of May, 28 members and friends were present. A highlight of the meeting was the presentation of a Golden Certificate to Mac McAteer, VE2EM. The presentation was made by Bud Punchard, VE3UD, Chapter President.

An interesting talk and slide presentation was made by Bill Haney, VE3BKW. Bill spoke on his early days as an Amateur and his work with an Airline operating in the Canadian north, and ending with a resume' of his work with the National Research Council. The next meeting is scheduled for early fall..



In the Picture above, at left, Mac McAteer, VE2EM, at right, Bud Punchard, VE3UD.

PITTSBURGH CHAPTER QCWA

Carlton Williams, W3KPI, wrote a short note, including two photos of recent meetings. He also included an application for a new member...The Chapter includes the ladies at all meetings.

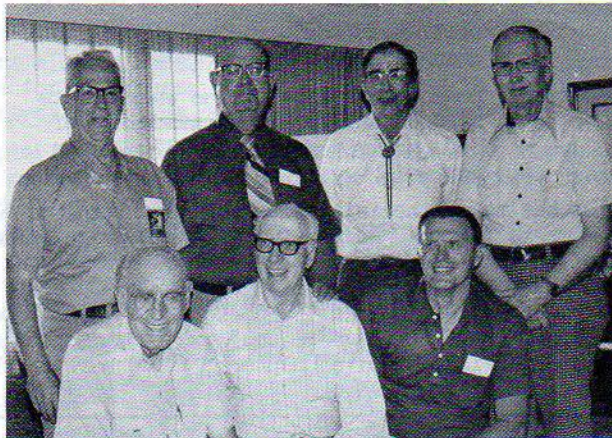


Pittsburgh Chapter Gals



Pittsburgh Chapter Guys

W. P. "Si" Morrison, W6OSD (4589-L) has been awarded the QCWA Meritorious Award. The recommendation for the honor came from F. K. "Bernie" Bernardini, K6UV, secretary of the San Diego Chapter. The Award will be presented at the QCWA Annual Meeting at San Diego.



L-R, rear, are: WØEUT, WØATU, WØGEQ, and WØYYV. in the front row: WØEXP, WØERM, and WØBJ

Stu Meyer, W2GHK has been elected Treasurer of the IEEE Vehicular Technology Society.

Harry R. Hyder, W7IV, wrote a nice letter to say he had enjoyed the NEWS, and that the Grebe Stroy was very good and enjoyable. Harry said that in 1946-1947 he worked in the old Grebe Building on Van Wyck Blvd, occupied by the Fairchild Camera & Instrument Corporation at that time.. He said, and we're quoting, "oddly enough, Pat Rooney, who was originally 2BT, and later W2DRK, worked for Fairchild in the building in which he had worked for Grebe in the 1920's...I wonder whatever happened to old Pat?"

Can anyone provide information on Pat Rooney for Harry?

NW Chapter Convention Picture

The Picture at right was taken at the annual QCWA convention held at Alderbrook Inn, on Hood's canal, in Washington, by the NW Chapter on June 10th and 11, 1978.

Among those in the picture are the retiring Chairman, N7CT, and Chairman W7MCW, who had finished his year as Vice-Chairman; W7AZI, newly elected Vice-Chairman.

All in the picture are members of QCWA. The YL is W7LCS.

The picture was taken by W7UO, & forwarded to Headquarters by Beth Taylor, W7NJS, National Representative of the NW Chapter.



CENTURY CLUB INFORMATION

Since announcement and operation of the CENTURY CLUB we have issued 58 memberships. Announcement was made in the Spring, 1978 issue of QCWA NEWS, Volume 27, P6.

There may be others eligible, but who are unable to provide proof of QCWA eligibility because certificates do get lost, etc. We have been trying to establish a table which will help. Old records are incomplete and so the following table is subject to refinement as we go along. For the present, it is the best we can come up with. It is a list showing the last membership No. assigned as of December 31, of each year, 1947 - 1965. If you have information which will make the table more accurate, please write us.

Year	Last Membership No.
1947	54
1948	148
1949	*
1950	309
1951	385
1952	534
1953	691
1954	888
1955	1130
1956	1365
1957	1721
1958	1983
1959	2150
1960	2480
1961	2930
1962	3475
1963	3950
1964	4431
1965	4830

Again, please note this is a guide, and represents our best efforts at this time. Dated membership certificates, documents dated, etc., will take precedence. We request refining information. This list, as it stands is only a guide.

W5EJ-W5RC

Willis Howard, W4MIO wrote a short note introducing his successor as Secretary for the Tennessee Valley Chapter. It was a pleasure to work with Willis and we'll hope to hear from him often.

Frank Shannon, K4GT, was awarded the QCWA Meritorious Award by the National QCWA, based upon recommendations of the Gator Chapter. Frank has been a pillar of strength in all QCWA work, and for Amateur Radio generally. The Award was well deserved and our congratulations to him!



Warren Green, W7JY gave us a picture of his first xmtr.

Set up for 40, he used a pair of 201A tubes in TGIP, push pull circuit. His antenna was a cntr-fed Hertz. Warren made his first contact with a ham in Walla Walla, nearby and go so excited he forgot to answer the call.

His receiver was a remodelled Kilbourn and Clark broadcast set.

The picture, taken in 1928, is a good one. Warren is a confirmed experimenter, and rag-chewer

Thanks for the pix!

Earl Englerth, W5LRT wrote a nice letter with comment on the Constitutional propositions, and on the QCWA Scholarship activities. Sure thank you for the comments..keep them coming. We have referred them to the proper QCWA Officers.

Art Gaeth, W0FQB, sent in an item on the activities of John McKinney, W0AP, recently retired Chief Engineer of the FCC Monitoring Station at Grand Island. John, President of the Nebraska Chapter of QCWA, has received a Presidential Award for his work in the design and installation of a special antenna system, saving the Government many thousands of bucks! Congratulations to a good man!

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CHARTER MEMBERS

CHARTER MEMBERS - Members have written Headquarters requesting information on the Charter Members. How many of them are still with us, and who they were, and what their membership numbers were. Ralph Hasslinger, W2CVF, has made up a list which is believed accurate.

The first 34 members are Founding Fathers—that is, they attended the Founding meeting on December 5, 1947. In the following list, silent key members are indicated by the asterik (*). Call letters are those believed correct at this time. Silent Key members are listed with their original call letters assigned at the time of joining the Organization.

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|------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 1. John DiBlasi, W2FX | 19. Frank Frimmerman, W2FZ* | 37. F. A. Long, W2PYY* |
| 2. G. T. Droste, W2IN* | 20. Alfred B. O'Hara, W2OG | 38. Oscar Oehman, W2KU* |
| 3. Leon Hansen, W2FIT* | 21. Harold D. Perry, W2LFR* | 39. Murray Blum, W2MY |
| 4. David Talley, W2PF | 22. Dr. A. L. Walsh, W2BW* | 40. W. L. Wheeler, Jr., W2ILO* |
| 5. James Millen, W1HRX | 23. Ralph Hasslinger, W2CVF | 41. W. E. Owens, W2DDA |
| 6. Fred W. Huff, W2AMB* | 24. F. C. W. Thiede, W2EC* | 42. Moe Joffe, W6PHE |
| 7. Irving Groves, K4HT | 25. E. W. Dannals, W2GG* | 43. Nat Burnett, K4OL |
| 8. W. J. Howell, W2II* | 26. Thomas McCann, K8CM | 44. Perce B. Collison, W2KN* |
| 9. Uda B. Ross, W2UD* | 27. R. D. Valentine, W2GX* | 45. George Nolan, W2QF* |
| 10. W. H. Neuman, W2RB | 28. John A. Gioe, W2FD* | 46. Harold Wetterholm, W2BKY* |
| 11. E. S. Crane, W2EF | 29. Walter A. Cobb, W2CO | 47. Philip Levinson, W2MIN* |
| 12. Otto Eppers, W2EA* | 30. Earl R. Thomas, W2MM* | 48. Dr. E. A. Cyriax, W2DI* |
| 13. Frank Lester, W4AMJ | 31. Clarence Seid, W2KW | 49. Dr. Paul Z. Haus, W2VH* |
| 14. J. A. Stobbe, W2WZ* | 32. Kurt Schoenfeld, W2BT* | 50. Charles A. Service, Jr., W4IE* |
| 15. Lester Reiss, W2BR | 33. Reeve O. Strock, W2YW* | 51. Myron J. Earl, W9WNF* |
| 16. Morton Kahn, K4KR | 34. Raymond Farwell, W2BJ* | 52. Robert E. Baird, W9NN |
| 17. Dan E. Lindsay, W2PL* | 35. Jack Heidt, W4MW | 53. Gordon Braendle, W6YYU* |
| 18. H. T. Hayden, Jr., W2FO* | 36. W. H. Kennedy, W2AS | 54. Ambrose H. Hardwick, W2YQ |

20 of the 34 Founding Fathers have become SK. A total of 32 of the 54 Charter members are SK.

On behalf of all QCWA Members, we want to thank Ralph, W2CVF, for his work in making up the list displayed above.

In the picture below, George Bailey, W1KH, is pictured.. Several fine National Receivers are shown, as well as a home-made transmitter. George, now deceased, was a National Director for QCWA. The picture, sent by "Web" our Arizona friend, W7BXR. In addition, Web sent a copy of the DeForest Bulletin, A17. Some beautiful pictures of equipment available about 1920. The Bulletin will be a part of QCWA Material, and our thanks to "Web."



Beth Taylor, W7NJS, has been named "National Representative for the NW Chapter."

Chet Rataski, K8GRO wrote with respect to the "Meritorious Award. Don't hear from you often enough, Chet!"

W7BXR sent in a nice letter commenting on QCWA proposed Constitutional changes. Web is 85 now, in good health and is a former Senior Member of IEEE. Thanks for sending a fine letter, Web!

CHICAGO AREA CHAPTER QCWA

Ero Erickson, W9HPJ provided a bit of sunshine, pictures and stories on the July meet at the Itasca Country Club...95 members and guests were on hand. The featured speaker was TWA's Captain Robert Sherman. The program was fine, discussions superb & the food - voila!

With so much enjoyment, business lagged. Three new members were welcomed, W9BUB, W9USK and W9ZGV. Ero awarded a framed photograph to VP, Paul Crum, W9LC autographed by WGN announcer Carl Grayson...Both had worked the big band broadcast remotes from the Aragon in the 1930's.... NBC Blue?

The the pix below, cheerful Carl Stockslager, W9FOO, of Brookfield attends often with Sybil...this inspite of the fact that he comes via wheel chair. Carl works 2 m FM and a lot of 20 meter MARS contacts...



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MICHIGAN CHAPTER QCWA

Vern Sherman, W8MX, Scty of the Chapter domoed this time. Lots of news and a story about a favorite guy up Michigan Way. Pictured at right, L-R, are Vern, W8MX, and Leo, W8CPY, Vice President, congratulating each other and flushed with a hard-earned, cut and dry victory in the recent election! Vern came up with a story about a fisherman, and we've decided it's worthy of space in the NEWS! Let's get to Vern's masterpiece:

"There's a fabulous store of hman interest in our QCWA. Our Newsletter keeps touching it, and I'm sure there isn't a member but could throw off sparks of his own if properly cornered. Bear with me while I brag about a Michigan Ham Hero!

This year begins his 21st consecutive year as our QCWA Net Control.. With rare exception he's there every Sunday morning on 3903. Twenty-one years! That's got to be a record! For QCWA, For USA? For Ham Radio, world wide? Whatever, we claim it in the name of Michigan Chapter, and we do so perched securely on the coat-tails of this distinguished amateur, whose name I'll soon reveal.

The official net is 8-10AM, forty check-ins are common, with twice around and break-ins. But, all winter a pre-net is alive by 7, even 6AM, due to long skip and W8DIV/4, W8KZU/4, W8JXE/5, etc., in cahoots with said NC and other good Michigan buddies such as W8CJT, W8IHF, W8TQP, W8CTC, etc. After 10AM W8GJH picks up as NC for the garrulous, such as W8IAC, W8GO, W8LA, W8PVB, W8CPY & W8MX, and our regular NC who finally got his chance at a cup of coffee & a sand-box break.

Our particular Ham Hero has done an exceptional PR job. Example; In a period of one year he personally patched 1037 calls from service-men at Guantanamo Bay (KG4AA) to points across the Country, coast to coast! That must be another record!



What does he look like - well, at left, right under the 'T' in Hiawatha you'll see him..Chapter treasurer, custodian of the Flower Fund, which he's always been! He's wanted out, but we insist. His age? wellll He's been licensed more than 50 years, and it is somewhere in the fourth quarter of a century, come to think of it, mine will be too, darn soon!

His name? Oh! He's 'ED' to most of us; but he's 'Uncle Ed,' or 'Capt. Trombley, Sir,' or 'Fearless,' or 'Our Leader,' or 'You old Goat' to others on occasion. His call is 8CAM. That's right, no 'W'..I've just checked his call card on my wall and it says '8CAM - Ed Trombley, Saginaw, Michigan.' And, just the other day I heard him say 'CAM, as in cam, an eccentric - and so am I.'

OK gentlemen, this is Vern, 8MX, Secretary of the Michigan Chapter, declaring the season 'open' for exposure of your favorit. Ours is 'Ed,' 8CAM. -- PS, Dear FCC, my air ID's are by the book, Honest!

The other scamp, at left, above, is 'RJ' - W8NBJ - Ed.

SAILFISH CHAPTER QCWA

Floyd Hermanson, W4NFI wrote in to report on presentation of the QCWA Century Club Certificate to Len Jezoreck, W4LC. In the picture, L-R are Tony Sariti, W4DIO making the presentation to Len, W4LC....

The Chapter was saddened by the passing of T. B. 'Tea' Thompson, K4IPX.

Keep the reports coming, and a few more pix would be welcome from SAILFISH.

-Ed.-



WEST BRANCH CHAPTER QCWA

Ted Crowe, W3GPR, sent in material on activities around Williamsport. Tony, W3CDT, was awarded and presented the QCWA Golden Certificate. Members of the Chapter are active in the local ARC and see each other, occasionally bending and elbow. Quite a bunch of the fellows were active in the QSO Party. Ted reports that Chapter Officials are:

Art Lichtenwalter, W3RKW, Chairman
George Waddell, W3RON, Treasurer
Ted Crowe, W3GPR, Secretary.

A Fall dinner meeting is scheduled for September. Hope we can get a pix or two and a story!

CITRUS CHAPTER QCWA

C. H. Summers, W4AR, corresponding Secretary for the Chapter wrote to invite visiting QCWA members and friends to attend any Chapter meetings. If you are planing on being in Orlando, call 305 295 2150 for information, Chalmers Stromberg, W4WLX, Chairman....

Luncheon meeting are held on 3rd Saturdays at Sweden House, on Lee Road, Winter Park, 11:30 AM. Citrus Net meetings are held Saturdays at 9:30AM, 3955 kHz. Florida State CW Net is Wednesday, 1PM on 7035 kHz.

The 1978-79 Officers are:

Chalmers Stromberg, W4WLX, Chairman
Keith Street, G3DKS, Vice Chairman
Robert Ragsdale, W4AJX, Scty/Treasurer
C. H. Summers, W4AR, Corresp. Scty.

A fitting tribute was given to out-going officers, Mr. Ralph Hayburton, K4DZ, Mr. Harold Blaugh, W9SP and, Bill Waldo, W4PI.

ARK-LA-TEX CHAPTER QCWA

Joe Barber, W5AXA, reported a successful July 25 meeting with 15 members and 4 visitors on hand. Two of the visitors, J. D. Alexander, W5ADM and H. W. Hutchinson, W5ADM joined QCWA and the Chapter!

The Saturdaymorning on-the-air meeting now operates on 3940 kHz. The Chapter plans its next meeting on October 24.

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NORTHERN NEW JERSEY CHAPTER QCWA



Nat Schnoll, W2PN, sent us the picture at left, taken at the Northern New Jersey Chapter meeting, May 20, 1978.

59 members and guests were present at the Robin Hood Inn, Clifton, NJ. Gus Miller's film on quartz mining, fabrication and some end-products was shown and enjoyed by all.

In the pix, L to R are: Eleanor, xYL of W2BBK; Larry Evans, W2BBK, V. P.; Nat Schnoll, W2PN, Secty, and George Apfel, W2GHV, President with Jerry Powell, W2OJW, 2nd V. P.

-W2PN

PALMETTO CHAPTER QCWA

C. L. Rogers, K4BGN, Secretary of the Chapter sent information on Officers elected:

Thomas I. Dean, W4DAW, President
Cecil A. Sills, W4HDO, VP
Grover C. Gaskin, W4GZO, VP
Clark L. Rogers, K4BGN, Secty/Trs.

Meetings are held three times annually, with the last one reported for July 8, 1978. In that newsletter we noted the address of Robbie Robinson, K4JLM...who lives at 2940-B Verde Vista, Santa Barbara, CA 93105.

Hope the boys can send us a pix or two of events for the next newsletter.

TYLER CHAPTER OF QCWA

The Chapter sponsored a wonderful meeting on June 24, at the Rose Garden, inviting a bunch of QCWA members from all over the SW. The event was promoted by the Chapter and was considered a success after having attendance from QCWA-ers, all over. We were lucky enough to be able to attend...good food, fellowship and watermelon brought by W5NC. Until you get hugged my Maurine, you don't know what it is to feel good! Thanks to the Chapter from all of us. Incidentally, we are not sure that Officers are known..

Cecil Cammack, W5RRM, President
Oden Brooks, W5ALK, V. P.
Frank Sewell, W5IZU, Secretary

Harry A. Turner, W9YZE, pictured at left, is shown at the key, while taking part in the April 27 nationwide celebration which honored Samuel F.B. Morse. Harry, who is a member of Morse Telegraph Club, Inc. as well as QCWA, participated with others in the celebration. He is President of the "Podunk Hollow" chapter.

Harry is worried that Telegraphy will be lost with the death of many old-timers... Born in 1906, he learned Morse at the age of 10 in his hometown of Lowder, IL...In anticipation of present times, a telegraph operator in Lowder had set up a network of 8 telegraph stations in town to teach the code to youngsters. At the age of 14 he would relieve the railroad station agent, selling tickets, handling train orders & sending and receiving WU messages to expedite passage of four trains a day. That was on the old Chicago, Burlington and Quincy Railroad, where, in 1924 he became a relief operator on the Beardstown Div..

That was in the day of steam trains which, Harry wistfully recalls, could be heard blowing their whistles 20 miles away. You could almost pinpoint their location by the sound of the whistle, Harry says!

In 1936 Harry obtained his Amateur license, W9YZE. He was a master sergeant in the 233rd Signal Operations Company in WW-II, serving in the Solomon and Phillipine Islands. While training at Camp Crowder, in 1942 he achieved the skill of sending 35 WPM with a hand key. It was a world's record and Harry has a Department of the Army Certificate acclaiming the feat!

Harry lives at 1718 Worden Avenue, Alton, Illinois...he is 72 years old, active in Amateur Radio, we in QCWA congratulate him and wish him well.



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SYDNEY CHAPTER (AUSTRALIA)

There has been a great deal of activity in the Chapter recently, with a nice increase in membership. Mail is slow, unless airmail, but we're getting used to it, and attempt to see that every thing important gets sent airmail. The pictures below feature presentation of Golden Certificates at the 1977 Dinner.. Please keep the pix and stories coming!



Above, L-R, are: Roy Hart, VK2HO receiving his Golden Certificate from Wal Webster, VK2EW, President.

Below, L-R, are Bert Hay, VK2AE, licensed since 1919, receiving the Golden Award from Wal Webster.



NATIONAL CAPITAL CHAPTER QCWA

The Spring Meeting of the Chapter was held May 10, 1978, with a turnout of 28 members and friends. The meeting, in Ottawa, featured presentation of the Golden Anniversary Award to Mac McAteer VE2EM. The presentation was made by Chapter President Bud Punchard, VE3UD. We received a pix of the event but it was too faint to reproduce in the printing process...

Bill Haney, VE3BKW gave an interesting talk on his early days in Amateur Radio and his work with the Airlines in the Canadian North. The talk illustrated with slides, was most interesting - Bill spoke of his work with the National Research Council on the development of Marine Radar.

The next meeting is scheduled for early fall. Members are urged to attend!

Gene Black, W2LL wrote a fine letter commenting on a few items in the NEWS. Gene is about to ship out as a sea-going radio Officer, after an absence from that work for 39 years! Congratulations Gene, let us know how it goes for you.

WORD SEARCH GAME

The Game printed in the Summer Issue of the NEWS was a pretty tough one, with a few clues, and as we now know a few errors. Never the less, there were answers. We have graded all entries in the contest. Some of you were able to find valid names that we did not purposefully put in the game. When this was done, we did not count them correct, but neither were they counted as a mistake. For what ever, the secret names included in the game were:

ARMSTRONG	FRANKLIN	HEISING	OHM
ALEXANDERSON	GAUSS	KIRCHOFF	OERSTED
AMPERE	GILBERT	LENZ	POULSON
BELL	GODLEY	LANGMUIR	RIDER
COULOMB	GALVANI	LODGE	SARNOFF
COLPITTS	GHIRARDI	MORSE	THOMSON
CROOKES	GOLDSCHMIDT	MAXIM	TESLA
DEFOREST	GRAMMER	MAXWELL	TERMAN
DESOTO	HAZELTINE	MARCONI	TUSKA
EDISON	HARTLEY	MICHELSON	VOLTA
FLEMING	HERTZ	MEISSNER	WATT
FARADAY	HENRY	NAPIER	WEBER
FARNSWORTH	HANDY	NEWTON	ZWORYKIN

Inadvertently included were names such as MIX, LEAR, LOOMIS, WORTH, and perhaps others. Quite a group gave it a try. The results are: (The number at right of a name indicates the number of correct names found....

McCuistion, W5HY	47	McGee, W6HRS	49
Green, W7JY	52	Kidwell, W3FSP	49
Preston, K4OJ	49	Bailey, N6RD	49
Phelps, W6YMH	48	Furlong, N6RF	52
Seaverns, W7IWN	45	Cornett, W8MC	51
Black, W2LL	48	Schneider, W8AVB	47
Elkins, K4ADJ	49	Bennett, W6ALS	48
Sloat, W7AHK	51	McFarland, W4BKS	50
Roloff, N4UZ	48	Gillen, W7KFD	50
Stevens, W0CDV	47	Planck, W9RGH	48
Nebel, W2DBQ	49	Goettman, W3MAN	50
Shalkhauser, W9CI	49	Richardson, W6AW	41
Isenmann, W0JTC	50	Pavek, W0OEP	51
McKeeth, W7IY	44	Stansfield, W8ME	50
Koranye, W2SFW	51	Shepard, N4ZH	48
Gabrielson, K6DS	49	Zornes, W9TAL	50
Van Loan, K4WQ	46	Stopka, W9IH	46

We had indicated that in the event of ties, we would judge by dates of postmarks, but this was unreasonable because not all members received their news at identical times...we are, therefore increasing the prizes we are awarding, as follows:

- 1 st Prizes to: W7JY and N6RF, \$5 each
- 2 nd Prizes to: W7AHK, W2SFW, W8MC, W0OEP, \$3 to each.
- 3 rd Prizes to: W0JTC, W4BKS, W7KFD, W3MAN and W8ME, \$2 each

Congratulations to each of you..it was hard, and there were some names not correct in the block. Next one we work up, we'll try to do soon enough to check better!

--W5EJ

A late arrival on the WORD SEARCH GAME...E. H. VanHouten 631, Sommerheim Drive, Erie, PA 16505 came up with near a perfect score...missed one. So, he'll receive his 2nd prize along with those listed elsewhere!

W5EJ

HAVE YOU CAST YOUR BALLOT? IF NOT, STUDY THE ISSUES, SEE THE SPRING NEWSLETTER, THEN MARK THE BALLOT RETURN IT TO HEADQUARTERS...HAVE A VOICE IN QCWA MATTERS.

DL3JE A very fine letter and story was received from one of our German Chapter members... Ing. Werner Feilhauer, DL3JE, pictured at the right, at one of the neatest possible operating positions we have seen. Let us quote directly from Werner's letter to QCWA:



"I was born March 1, 1902, at Berlin. In 1918/19 at school under the supervision of my professor I made first tests with Ruhmkorff coils and lead-sulphide detectors. In 1924, being a student of the Technical University, I passed the PTT examination "Audion-Ver-suchs-Erlaubnis" and was now allowed to work with re-generative detectors and to make regenerating receivers myself. In 1928, I was second operator at the station EK4ZZZ, of the Technical University of Danzig. In 1929 I received the call-sign D4CLK, and in 1933, the call-sign D3DZF. This call-sign I kept until 1945. After the war, in 1949, I received the call-sign DL3JE, which I still have up to this time."

"As a member of the DARC I was always actively engaged for the Club. I was Vice-President for several years and afterwards a member of the Managing Committee of the DARC. In 1956, I was given the Golden Award Pin and in 1977 I received the Golden Award Pin for 50 Years membership in DASD/DARC. In 1977 I also became 'Member of Honour' of the DARC. Apart from my membership of the German Chapter of QCWA, I am a member of the OTC (1958) and, of the OOTC (1968). I am ARV almost every day on 10, 15 and 20 m (HW-101), on 2 m (TR-2200G) and 70 cm (SR-C 430). My antennas are a groundplane for 10, 15 and 20 m, a $\frac{1}{2}$ -wave folded-top for 2 m and a Ringo Ranger for 70 cm."

-DL3JE-

On behalf of QCWA members everywhere, I want to thank Werner for this story of a popular German Station, and the biographical information on a real old-timer! -- Ed.

UPPER MIDWEST CHAPTER QCWA

Fred Kline, WØLJT, Scrt'y of the Chapter reported on the May 25th meeting...45 were in attendance. Tom Kulas, WØTK, gave a talk on VHF/FM repeater operation, its history and growth & problems.

New Officers were elected for the following year. Those elected were:

Ed Wiik, WØUGP, President
 Claud Stevens, WØCDV, Vice President
 Roger Olson, WØWMM, Treasurer
 Fred Kline, WØLJT, Secretary

A discussion of the forthcoming Constitutional balloting was held.



In the picture above, Clyde Norton, WØELA, at left, receives his Golden Certificate from Ed Wiik, WØUGP, at right. Clyde is a Charter Member of the Chapter!

CANTON OHIO CHAPTER QCWA

Henry McLaughlin, W8OYV, sent a copy of the Chapter newsletter. The May meeting had an attendance of 52. A fine program was presented. Jim Trutko, W8EXI spoke, using illustrated slides in an expert commentary on Russia.

The Chapter welcomes two new members, Jesse Wilson, W8LDQ and Nelson Caley, W8EAR.

The August meeting was to feature Don Edwards, KA8ASX, of the National Weather Service, who will show pictures and speak on Weather Alertness.

We need a couple of pix from the gang for the next NEWS!

WASHINGTON CHAPTER QCWA

New Officers for the Chapter are
 Charles, Dorian, W3JPT, President
 E.M. Zandonini, W3CDQ, Sc'ty/Treasurer

Liz' report was the shortest one you ever saw. I expect we'll get a big one soon. There has been a good bit of activity in the area, some of which we overheard on 31-91 while driving around 495 a short time ago!

ANOTHER CORRECTION:

It appears that we will either have to get new glasses, or George Apfel will have to write a better hand...don't know, but we made another error in recording the QSO Party results. On Page 45, of Vol 27, No. 2, of the NEWS, WØQAT (#193) should have been WØQAU. Now, there just ain't no way a U can look like a T...so, it must be the glasses. Ken, we're mad at ourselves for the error...thanks for your patience!

George Clark, W2JBL dropped a line asking members for a check-in on the CW Net...also, caught a typographical error, the CW Net is 7035, not 7034...sorry, George! I might add, that with my rig, you can't tell the diff!

Cindy's Chatter

Are you having trouble with the new calls being issued in the U. S.? Mercy! Having suffered a sprained ankle, tripped over the vacuum cleaner, breaking the cord, scared the cat so bad he is now residing under the house, thinking the call I was hearing was some super rare DX, only to find out it was an old-timer, upgraded and flashing his new exotic call. All of this caused me to do a bit of research.

In 1913 only twenty amateurs were licensed in the fifth district. In 1916, eighty amateurs were licensed in the fifth district. In the middle of 1917 all amateurs were shut down, with licensing resumed in the fall of 1919.

200 Meters and Down, the beautiful story of Amateur Radio tells us that in 1936 the typical amateur is a young man 25 years of age. His station is home made from manufactured parts purchased in the neighborhood parts house... he uses CW exclusively, hoping one day to use voice. Actual value of his station about one-hundred dollars. The power of his transmitter about 100 watts input to a pair of Type '10 tubes in the output stage, which is excited by a crystal controlled oscillator. His antenna system consists of 130 foot wire with a two-wire open line perhaps 60 feet long, suspended well up in the clear outside his home.

For years the amateurs progress was crude, slow and with many difficulties.

The story of Amateur Radio is the story of adventurous men and women whose curiosity and dedication was unlimited. Each experiment led to a new challenge! Their dedication has paved the way for the privilege that so many of us take for granted. Amateur Radio exists because it provides a service....Through floods, earthquakes, hurricanes, medical information transmitted to a far away country to save a life...tragedy, laughter, tears and yes, joy, are in the logs of dedicated amateurs.

Experiments by amateurs have led to a better life in many fields for all of us...you've come a long way, baby and still going!

Amateur Radio is the only hobby that offers its follower so many facets---CW, RITTY, traffic, contests, DX, VHF... and many more. Last but not least, conventions, the joy of meeting some one you've talked with over the years... Such was the scene at Ham-Coms June meeting...they came from all over, 2000 strong. At the QCWA meeting VK3RE & his lovely Sheila, from Hamilton, Australia, spreading a feeling of good-will across the world...the coffee was made with water carried two blocks by W5JIZ...now, there is dedication to QCWA...aren't you glad you're a member?

---Cindy Jones, W5ZPD---

Guy Allen, W5JFD, of Houston, sent a nice letter giving a good reference on all sorts of societies having information on early day personalities and equipments. We are thankful for the information, and will do our very best to work up something worthy of QCWA NEWS! Hope to come to Houston one day soon to see the gang there.

-Ed-

Buck Lewis, W4BV, wrote a nice letter. Buck sent an extra copy of Vol 27, No. 1 to Bill Diehl. Quoting from his letter..."glad to know you (W5RC) and Ted (W5EJ) are Kansas chaps. Hal Sears, ex 9CPV, was the first Ham I ever met and he was a big help to me in the 1922--1926 era. I think he is a great guy. I was 9ccs in Yates Center."

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GERMAN CHAPTER QCWA

Hans Schleifenbaum, DL1YA, sent a report on the IBO Fair & International Amateur Radio Convention, held in Friedrichshafen/Dodensee. The German Chapter met, with more than 25 members and friends attending. We received a copy of the register on which those attending signed in.

The meeting was presided over by Hans, who expressed his pleasure in seeing so many QCWA members. Let me quote a bit from Hans letter..."The meeting featured discussion of the aims and purposes of QCWA. Hans spoke on the proposed constitutional changes. In other comment, DL 3 ME, Gerd, requested that US amateurs turn their beams east so that the German Chapter members can participate in the 1979 Annual QSO Party. Ed Sommoerfield, W2FJT, was present, and was introduced. He spoke on QCWA activities in the US, and his comments were appreciated. As a result of the meeting four new members in QCWA were signed up... this makes the German Chapter have a total of 39 members! The next meeting of the Chapter will be on the first anniversary of formation of the Chapter, August 26, 1979.... The meeting will be at Bentheim, near the Netherlands border, and it is hoped that many members and guests will attend."

Those attending were: D11ES, DL1YA, DL3HG, DL3ME, DL3RK, DL6CA, DL9PR, DL9XW, DJ1TC and W2FJT all QCWA members.... Guests registered were: DL1BT, DL1HH, DL1MD, DL1MG, DL1VU, DL6VL, DL7AY, DL7PH, DK6CS, DD1CJ, DL1HH, with his xYL and son DB5ZO and DL7PH, with his xYL. The club station, DK0FN was used throughout the event. The insignia above is from the official QSL card. An Official German Postal cancellation was authorized, a very distinctive design.

DL1YA

AUSTIN CHAPTER QCWA

Pete, W5OY, Secretary, sent a very short note requesting supplies, and a bit of news. included was a fine picture of some of the Chapter members.

The three shown below represent a total of 175 years experience in Amateur Radio, Dave, W5CVQ with 62, with Tom at 54 years (W5APM, and Nemo, W5SD at 59 years!



In the pix above, L-R, are: Dave Harrell, W5CVQ, Tom Serur, W5APM, Nemo Tekyl, W5SD.

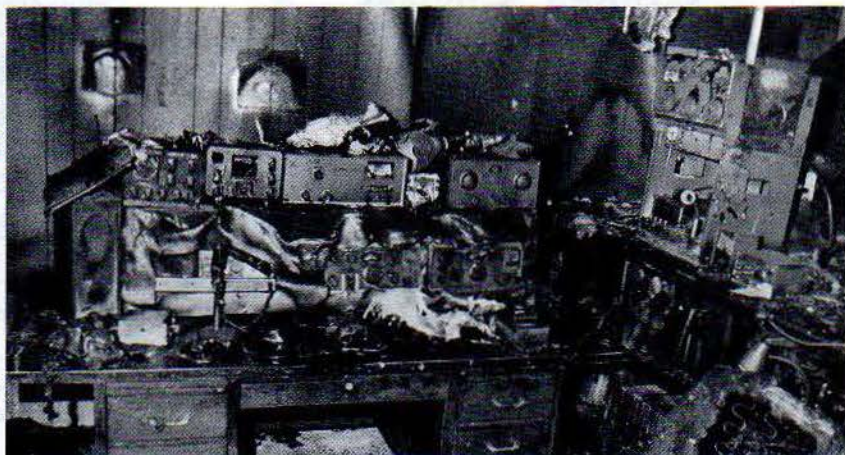
Bill Hope, W2EWT, Secretary-Treasurer of the Niagara Frontier Chapter dropped a short note letting us know that the June 4 meeting-party had 70 in attendance. I sure wish we could have been there!

A WORD OF WARNING - from Bob David, W4YK

Bob David sent the picture, at right which is worth a 1000 words. His entire home burned, a total loss, last November. After going abt the business of getting insurance claims, rebuilding and so forth, he has a few words of wisdom...

1. Make certain you have a complete inventory of everything in your home!
2. Read your insurance policy, make sure the coverage is adequate
3. Insure with a good company

Bob said that the biggest problem he faced was in the home furnishings...cost of appliances of drapes, carpets and so forth add up more than one would dream possible...and, in addition...your private papers, certificates, documents and so forth are lost...For that reason, he suggests that you record the dates they were issued, serial numbers, and so forth. Most Organizations will replace such material if you can properly identify it. So, take it from one who has burned...be prepared, it can happen to you! All of us in QCWA sympathize with Bob for his loss, and appreciate the reminder!



SAN DIEGO CHAPTER QCWA

The Chapter's nominating committee has come up with a good late of Officers, and ballots are due in September.

Si Morrison, W6OSD, was honored by the Chapter. At the May meeting, a beautiful hand drawn Certificate given in acknowledgement of Si's long years of work on behalf of the Chapter. The Certificate was unique, and was drawn by Paul Hower, W6GDC.

Members of QCWA from across the country are looking forward to the National meeting at San Diego. It will be a wonderful time meeting old friends, as well as taking in the ARRL Convention held at the same time.

THE GREAT NORTHWEST

I spent a great deal of time during the Spring, working in the vicinity of Portland, Oregon, heart of the Great Northwest! The area, properly named for it's scenery, climate, and people is magnificent! While there we visited Tex and Thelma Sloat, who live near Vancouver, Washington. One must see to believe the beautiful and ever-present flowers (nearly every tree in the area blooms like a fruit-tree. While Tex and I visited, Thelma pulled fresh rhubarb from the garden and made a rhubarb pie...it was wonderful...Tex, in true Paul Bunyan tradition has put his dipole up between a stand of Douglas fir, climbing up to a height of more than 100 feet. The Sloats live in the shadow of Mt. St. Helens, which had a pure white cover of snow when I was there.

In Portland, we visited with Beth, & had the chance to get really acquainted. W7NJS, in Milwaukie, Oregon, has a pretty wide-spread group of friends

and we've reported on her all around. We had fine refreshments and lots of good talk. Beth is a wonderful Gal & if you're within a hundred miles, be sure to go by for a visit.

In June we visited at the home of Howard and June Truax, W7SO, not far south of Salem. Howard invited some friends for the affair which was sure enjoyed. We took a pix which appears in this issue. Howard has a good big acreage to care for, with a herd of sheep, some fine Bantams and, a flock of pigeons...our first view of Roller Pigeons...who fly beautifully & then while in full flight, will suddenly & often, flip over, seemingly backwards and then tumble, head over heels, in a fall, looking as though they had been shot, and then recovering full flight a few feet above the trees. It is a spectacular sight.

If you can, go visit the NORTHWEST, I promise you'll enjoy it immensely!! And from here, a sincere thanks...We enjoyed your friendship. -W5EJ

William Biddle, K8UZ wrote to note that we had made an error in listing his scoring in the 1978 QSO Party Page 45, Vol. 27. We incorrectly listed his call as K8VZ and apologize for the error!

ROADRUNNER CHAPTER QCWA

Loyt Lathrop, W5YSK, reported on the June 29 meeting of the Chapter, held at the Royal Fork Restaurant. 27 members and guests were present. A short business meeting was followed by a delightful time for visiting. The Chapter holds all meetings as dinner meetings, and finds attendance has improved greatly.

Walter Bickmeyer, K4NI, who helped make the Grebe presentation in the Spring issue of the NEWS possible is owing, as of August 1, and in his letter expressed his enjoyment over the Grebe Story.

Bill Wilmot, K4TF, sent a radiogram expressing approval of the new NEWS format. All comments are welcome & will be read and considered.

Ralph Cabanillas, W6IL, sent a card reporting on a good meeting held at Beverly Hills on August 27, with 24 members in attendance. The next meeting is planned for October 29. Ralph has been working closely with VR6TC and it seems has almost taken the place of our old friend, Bob Stark, W5OLG (now deceased).

Kenneth E. Smith, W9KOY, sent word requesting some information about an old friend who had been mentioned in the Summer News...Hope we were of some help, Ken...

Central Valley Chapter QCWA is planning a chapter picnic on September 10...this journal will be in the printshop on that date. Leon, W6BYH promises a picture of the event. Hope that we got Dan's membership fixed up!

Hal Bates, W4OIN, wrote a nice letter. Hal is in favor of allowing members who have reached 65 or more years of age being allowed to pay dues on a year to year basis... This matter will be discussed by the Board at San Diego!

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Bob Wessel, K4PR, sent a note com-
mending QCWA for the new NEWS. We
appreciate it and will try to keep
improvements coming. Bob mentions
that there is a good QCWA net, 3875
kHz on Sundays at about 2130 UTC.

Les Whetham, VE3QE sent a letter to
let us know that the map sent for
Chapter locations just about missed
Canada...it was used only because
there were no copyright problems &
was available. We'll get a better
one in due time. Thanks, Les!

QCWA MEMBERSHIP

Applicants for QCWA membership must have held an amateur license at least 25 years ago, and must at the time of applying, hold a valid Amateur license. It is not necessary to have been licensed the entire 25 years. Proof of eligibility must be given. Headquarters has a library of callbooks from the old times that can be used in most cases. A request for information will bring a prompt return letter!

An entry fee of \$3 is charged for initial membership, this plus dues in the amount of \$14 for three years are payable in advance with ones application. Life membership may be obtained for \$70, plus the \$3 entry fee. Time payment of life membership fees is available; three payments to be completed in one year, of \$35, 20 and 15 respectively. Upon completion of the payment of the fee, Life Membership Certificate and membership card is sent.

CERTIFICATES

MEMBERSHIP CERTIFICATES, numbered in serial order, are issued to each member. The numbers are never re-issued, except to the same one to whom they were first issued, and then only in the event of lapsed membership. Blue certificates and membership cards going to regular members with Gold certificates and membership cards being issued to Life Members. In the event a certificate is to be replaced, a charge of \$1.00 is made.

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY certificates are issued upon application, and proof of eligibility. Those having 50 or more years in Amateur Radio are qualified. Endorsement stickers for each 2-year interval over the basic fifty years are available from Chapter Secretaries.

QCWA CENTURY CLUB CERTIFICATE, is a new Award voted by the Board of Directors in February, 1978. Eligibility is based upon a members age plus his years in QCWA (in good standing) being equal to 100 or more. Proof of eligibility must be established by the applicant. Age

by copy of drivers license, etc., with Headquarters to attest to years in good standing.

50 YEARS CONTINUOUSLY LICENSED CERTIFICATION is issued to QCWA members whose calls appear in call books since 1928. There is a charge of \$1 for the Certificate. It must be applied for with proof of eligibility supplied.

60th ANNIVERSARY CERTIFICATION is issued to those QCWA members who have completed 60 years as a licensed Radio Amateur. Proof of such licensing is required. Endorsements may be obtained at 2-year intervals. 1912 is the first year considered as Amateur licensing.

ALL OF THE ABOVE LISTED CERTIFICATES ARE ISSUED BY THE HEADQUARTERS OFFICE. APPLICATION BLANKS ARE AVAILABLE FOR THE ASKING, AND A SELF-ADDRESSED, STAMPED ENVELOPE WOULD BE APPRECIATED.

OPERATING AWARD CERTIFICATES

QCWA OPERATING AWARD CERTIFICATES ARE ISSUED TO QCWA MEMBERS BY THE OPERATING ACTIVITIES MANAGER, M. W. McRae, W9RC. PROOF OF ELIGIBILITY IS REQUIRED.

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QCWA ANNUAL QSO PARTY. A plaque is issued on behalf of QCWA to the high-scorer in the PARTY. The plaque is inscribed with the name, score and year of winning.

All certificates are numbered serially, with a permanent record kept of those who were honored by the Awards.

WØERR - What a pleasure to visit with Ann again. For a long time, we've talked to her on 2 m, Castle Rock Rpt out of Denver...but, today, September 3, we again made a radio and land-wire contact. Ann is now living in Oklahoma. Her address is,

Ann Belmonte, WØERR
4329 South Ash Place
Broken Arrow, OK 74012
Telephone 918 258 6298

For those of you who don't know, Ann was a mainstay in The Colorado Chapter, in Denver for many years. Broken Arrow is a few miles east of Tulsa...if you're near the area, call Ann, or better yet, drop in for a visit. We are hoping she can come to Texoma this year to be introduced to QCWA's finest, from the SW.

Ralph Rea, W5AA, sent information on the Central Okla. Chapter July meeting. Members W5DDI, W5HFU and W5TY, were recognized for their faithful attendance at all "on the air" meeting of the Chapter for the past 3 months... The Chapter schedule is each Sunday Morning, 8:30 local time, on 3850 kHz.

Received a letter from William E. Denk, W3IGU, in regard to the GREBE story. Bill has received the Golden Certificate recently.

QCWA SUPPLIES

We often receive letters ordering QCWA Stamps, patches and so forth, quoting prices and sending us a check based on 1970 or other year prices. We are forced to send them back, thus causing a member to feel we are treating him unfairly. We would urge that you check the latest QCWA NEWS, which always carries a current price list. Our costs change constantly which requires that we change prices fairly often. However, prices are always honored between publication dates.

At this moment, we have 250 of the 1976 Rosters on hand. A new roster will be published in 1979. We are going to have to throw the old ones away soon...If your 1976 Roster is getting dog-eared and you'd like to have a new one for your reference library, we'll be glad to send one to you upon payment of postage. First class postage is \$1.45....Third Class is \$0.92. If you want one, don't wait. On January 1, they go to the trash..

NIAGARA FRONTIER CHAPTER QCWA

We received word of that August 11 picnic scheduled for Bob Johnson's summer home at South Wales, NY. Bob, W2WVC, graciously offered his location for the event. Maybe Tom Whalen, W2QI, will see that we get a story on it, and a pix too.

-W5EJ

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